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WALL STREET COLLECTS FOR TAFT

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Dear Mr.

Mr. H. M. Park has forwarded to me your contribution to the campaign fund of Mr. Taft and it is appreciated by all of us who are working in the Senator's behalf. Some time later on in the campaign you will receive an acknowledgment from headquarters in Cincinnati—meanwhile this letter may be accepted as a formal acknowledgment of the assistance you have sent to us. The support you are giving to Senator Taft is more than helpful. Thank you so very much.

Sincerely yours,

C. J. Younger
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Thank-you note reproduced above shows that plenty of Wall Street money is being poured into Ohio to back Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-O) for re-election this year. The author of the Taft-Hartley Law has plenty of pals in Wall Street.

FBI Exposes Wallace: He Sought Votes!

Matthew Cvetic, an FBI stoolpigeon within the Communist Party, told the Un-American Committee yesterday Henry Wallace conferred with him in 1948 about potential Progressive Party votes among members of the American Slav Congress.

Cvetic revealed that he was an FBI stoolpigeon last Saturday, when he first appeared before the committee.

"Were Wallace and Baldwin (C. B. Baldwin, executive secretary of the P.P.) aware that you were a Communist?" a Committee member asked the FBI stoolie.

"I assume they were," Cvetic replied. "Both are intelligent men."

[This, the United Press said, was testimony that Wallace had "knowingly solicited Communist votes in the 1948 presidential elections."

[The story is strictly a plant since Progressive Party leaders have always publicly recognized that Communists are a part of the coalition making up the Progressive Party, and there is no news in this.

Moreover, it does not at all support the UP contention that Wallace was quoted as seeking Communist votes.]

The hearing was carefully staged by the FBI and the committee two days before the second convention of the Progressive Party, to be held in Chicago this weekend.

They did the same thing in the summer of 1948, again just two days before the convention of the party in Philadelphia, when they arrested the top leaders of the American Communist Party and hinted that more arrests of "top Communists" would take place at the convention itself.

But America's top faker, J. Edgar Hoover, piously declares the FBI has nothing to do with politics.

Truman Spurns Pleas For A-Bomb Parley

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—President Truman today demanded that the American people follow him on the path of the cold war. This was his answer to the increasing public outcry for talks with the Soviet Union

BRITISH ATOM SCIENTISTS PLEAD FOR BAN ON A-BOMB

LONDON, Feb. 22 (UP).—A group of Britain's top atom scientists, some of whom played leading roles in the development of the atom bomb, issued a statement today calling for immediate steps to outlaw atomic warfare.

The statement was signed by Prof. R. E. Peierls, who first showed the British government that an atom bomb could be made; Prof. J. Rotblat, who worked out the critical dimensions of the bomb; Sir George Thomson, wartime head of the atom project, and Prof. Kathleen Lonsdale, executive vice president of the Atom Scientists Association.

"If disaster is to be avoided," the statement said, "the utmost attempts must be made now to eliminate atomic warfare."

It said that the recent decision by the U. S. to develop the hydrogen bomb "show an atomic arms race is in progress and emphasizes the dangerous direction in which humanity is moving."

"Any solution must be acceptable to all nations though all nations must be prepared to sacrifice some national interests for the realistic hope of world peace."

Other signers of the statement included Dr. E. H. S. Burhop, secretary of the Atomic Science Committee, and Dr. F. C. Champion, secretary of the Atomic Scientists Association.

Reuther Raid Defeated At Harvester Plant

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—Walter Reuther, head of the CIO was handed another defeat in his latest raiding venture against the Farm Equipment Workers-UE at the West Pullman works of International Harvester Co. In an NLRB election yesterday, workers gave 1,244 votes for FE-UE to 1,078 for UAW. There were 58 votes for neither union.

Won't Join War Clique, Says Bridges

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22.—Six days of cross-examination for Harry Bridges ended yesterday with his declaration: "Why should I criticize Russia?"

The longshore leader, on trial in the government's fourth attempt to deport him, made the statement in answer to Prosecutor F. Joseph Donohue's final question: "Have you ever at any time criticized the leader of Soviet Russia?"

Bridges first said "I don't know," then he added: "That has nothing to do with me. I live over here. When you start criticizing other countries you join the war clique."

Chief defense counsel Vincent Hallinan took over then in re-direct examination, and sought to discredit evidence introduced in a Government attempt by quoting Bridges to show that Bridges consistently followed the Communist Party line.

Hallinan declared the Government's evidence—extracts from speeches and resolutions the longshore leader has made over the past years—was weighted because it had been plucked out of context.

Donohue asked if in May of 1947 Bridges accused "Military Brass" in the United States of stirring up war feelings.

"Yes," said Bridges. "Too many people in the Army have an anti-labor feeling . . . They get labor union men in the Army and tell them to 'take orders or else'. I don't want to join the reactionary clique that wants to 'attack'. We are against expansion of any nation, including Russia, if it's going to lead to transgression of rights of the people. We are against expansion if it leads to war. That goes for England, Russia and even this country."

Fullman works of International Harvester Co. In an NLRB election yesterday, workers gave 1,244 votes for FE-UE to 1,078 for UAW. There were 58 votes for neither union.

Last December, the UAW was delivered a crushing two-to-one defeat at the Louisville, Ky., Harvester plant.

It was estimated that nearly \$100,000 had been spent by Reuther in the vain attempt to supplant FE-UE at the West Pullman plant. Hundreds of UAW representatives worked full-time around the clock for weeks prior to yesterday's balloting.

The UAW campaign was pitched around vicious red-baiting slander.

The FE-UE triumph was seen as taking the sails out of the UAW raiders in a pending NLRB election at the big Harvester Tractor Works here. Reuther's strategy was to delay this election until after the West Pullman vote.

A membership meeting last Sunday of Tractor Works FE-UE Local 101 adopted a resolution urging a speedy election.

Clothing Local Backs Miners

PHILADELPHIA.—CIO Amalgamated Clothing Workers Local 56 voted Tuesday to send \$100 to the striking miners and to ask the joint board representing 20,000 workers in this area to take similar action.

on the outlawing of the H-bomb and the A-bomb. He tried to discourage action by the people, saying, "We must not be misled by the vain hope of finding quick and easy solutions."

In an address at the dedication of a monument to George Washington, Truman declared his Administration would press for the Baruch plan, which would give the U. S. monopoly control of atomic energy plants all over the world.

He also made it clear he would continue to keep the world divided by the organization of blocs of satellite nations whose only aim would be against the Soviet Union, China, the people's democracies and the colonial peoples.

To convince the people to follow him along the path of destruction and war, Truman again raised the spectre of communism and the necessity for a sham crusade for "freedom."

He made it clear that the Administration was set to embark on its program of economic penetration of the colonial and semi-colonial countries. He sought to sugarcoat this imperialist plan with talk of bringing civilization to the backward peoples of these countries.

Jersey Official Urges New Peace Talks

"No stone must be left unturned in the search for points of accommodation between ourselves and the Soviet Union," it was declared yesterday by Dr. Spencer Miller, Jr., Commissioner of Public Highways for New Jersey and prominent Episcopal layman.

Dr. Miller yesterday was the Ash Wednesday preacher at the opening service of the 1950 Community Lenten Series sponsored by the Brooklyn Division of the Protestant Council, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Clinton and Montague Sts., Brooklyn.

"Some of us," Dr. Miller went on to say, "have learned from long experience in arbitration in industrial disputes that bargaining begins only when equality exists between the bargaining parties. It may well prove that the possession of the A-bomb by the Soviet Union will now create that element of equality that will make the possibility of successful bargaining more hopeful. Also, the sense of impending disaster facing all people."

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CHIANG'S U.S. PLANES STRAFE HOLIDAY TRAIN; 15 DIE

HONG KONG, Feb. 22.—Fifteen persons were reported killed and 20 wounded today when two American planes of the Kuomintang air force strafed a trainload of holiday excursionists near the British border.

The planes earlier raided the border village of Shumchun for the second time in three weeks.

Five of those wounded aboard the train reached British territory where they were given hospital treatment. Other victims remained at the scene.

Witnesses said people aboard the train had made a New Year visit to Canton.

Waldman Perils U. S., ACLU Counsel Says

By Harry Raymond

Arthur Garfield Hays bitterly denounced rightwing socialist lawyer Louis Waldman yesterday as the "most dangerous man in the United States." Hays, who is general counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union, assailed Waldman at a 30th anniversary Waldorf-Astoria Hotel conference of the organization after the latter proposed giving a medal to Judge Harold R. Medina for his conduct in the trial of the 11 national Communist leaders.

"Every time I hear Louis Waldman, I get mad," Hays told the ACLU members during a panel discussion on "Communists and the Bill of Rights."

"I think Louis Waldman is the most dangerous man in the United States," Hays asserted with visible anger.

"I wish we could say," he added, "that we do not prosecute people in the United States for political propaganda. I cannot say it because of the prosecution of the Communists."

Waldman lauded the Smith Act, under which the Communist leaders were convicted of advocating and teaching Marxism-Leninism. He said the act "does not infringe the Bill of Rights. He called for the Civil Liberties Union to join with the Government "to fight this threat from this (Communist) fifth column."

If the Civil Liberties Union did



HAYS

not follow his advice, Waldman threatened, a new organization would be set up to replace it.

Osmond K. Fraenkel, leading constitutional lawyer and ACLU board member, and Prof. Thomas Emerson, of Yale Law School, joined with Hays in assailing Waldman's proposals.

"The Civil Liberties Union has taken the stand that the Smith Act is unconstitutional," said Fraenkel.

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TWU WINS 25c PACKAGE AT B'KLYN UNION GAS CO.

A 25 cent wage and pension package at Brooklyn Union Gas Co. was won by 3,600 members of the Utility Local 101, Transport Workers Union, it was announced by John Lopez, president of the autonomous local.

The contract runs to June, 1951, and its provisions are retroactive to Dec. 31, 1949.

The contract includes: A five-cent an hour wage in-

crease across the board, and a contributory pension plan costing the company 15 cents an hour and providing for pension payments, in certain categories, of more than \$100 monthly exclusive of social security, jointly controlled by union and management.

Negotiations are continuing with the Brooklyn Borough Gas Co. for a similar contract.

Wallace to Broadcast Peace Plea

By Ruby Cooper

CHICAGO.—Henry Wallace's address to the Progressive Party convention here Friday night will be broadcast over a national ABC hookup at 11:35 p.m. (EST) Friday. A party spokesman declared that "Wallace will discuss the opportunities for a new and broader Progressive Party opened by the rising public demand for fresh alternatives to an H-bomb foreign policy."

The former Vice-President will arrive here by plane from New York at noon Friday, and will

spend the rest of the day conferring with Progressive Party leaders.

Over 1,000 delegates are expected from at least 36 states.

TO ADOPT PLATFORM

Other speakers at Friday night's opening session will include Elmer Benson, former Minnesota Governor and Senator; Paul Robeson, who is PP co-chairman with Benson; Congressman Vito Marcantonio; Earl Dickerson, Chicago, former

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Scientists to Join Peace Delegation to US

The delegation of prominent western European public figures who want to talk to the U. S. Congress about peace will include Italian and French scientists and political leaders, in addition to artist Pablo Picasso and the Dean of Canterbury, it was learned here today.

Announcement of the delegation was made Tuesday by the

World Peace Committee in Paris which is the executive body of the great Peace Congress held there last April.

While one group of western European figures wants to visit the United States to petition for peace, another will be leaving Paris on the same day to make the same plea to the Supreme Soviet in Moscow.

Target date for the departures is March 3. In addition, delegations will be visiting France, Belgium, Holland, Italy, Guatemala and Mexico.

Among those scheduled to visit the United States, in addition to Picasso, the Dean of Canterbury and the British film producer, Ivor Montagu, are the following: Prof. Max Cosyns, physicist

from Belgium; Dr. H. Aulbel, of the Faculty of Science of the University of Paris; Mayor A. Diaz, of Leghorn, Italy; Mme. N. L. Palumbo, Italian Senator; Prof. G. C. Olive, of the University of Bologna; Hans Erni, Swiss painter.

A Soviet representative, as yet unnamed, is also expected on the group which hopes to be heard by the U. S. Congress on March 6.

Goons Attack Lawrenson Home

TERRORIZE HIS CHILDREN AND SMASH APARTMENT WINDOWS

National Maritime Union president Joseph Curran's goons Wednesday night sought to break into the home of Jack Lawrenson, NMU vice president and rank-and-file leader.

The goons, two of whom were identified, threatened the family, including Lawrenson's three-year-old son and 8-year-old daughter.

Prevented from entering, the goons then kicked in the windows of the basement apartment at 17 Charles St., shouting vile threats at Mr. and Mrs. Lawrenson and the two children.

Lawrenson, describing the incident, said that four men drove up to the house at about 9:30 p.m. Two of them came to the door.

BARS ENTRANCE

Mrs. Lawrenson answered the bell and the men demanded that they be permitted to enter the apartment. At that point, Lawrenson came to the door and, recognizing the men as Curran machine goons, barred the entrance.

He identified them as individuals named McInerney and Fisher.

Mrs. Lawrenson, in the meantime, called the Charles Street police precinct. Detective Thomas Love arrived after the men had driven off.

Queries at the precinct yesterday brought no response other than that detectives were working on the case.

At the time of the attack the entire Lawrenson family, including the two children, were home. The children had been permitted to stay up a little later than usual since the next day was a school holiday.

The shouts of the men and the

crashing of the windows brought a terror-ridden night for the children.

They heard the goons call their father vile names and warn him that his future would be a short one if he continued his activity against the Curran machine. The goons demanded that he stop out so that they could work him over.

Lawrenson declared yesterday: "These tactics are the proof that Curran is on his way out and knows it. Sailors don't go for attacks on women and children. This is merely part of their desperate effort to wreck the rank and file but it will have the opposite effect. It will only further arouse and unite the rank and file."



LAWRENSON

Moscow Calls Churchill Peace Bid a Confession

LONDON, Feb. 22.—Radio Moscow said tonight that Winston Churchill's proposal for a Big Three parley was "a confession of the bankruptcy" of the United States-British peacetime partnership, first urged by Churchill himself four years ago at Fulton, Mo.

It was the first Russian reaction to the Conservative Party leader's speech at Edinburgh, Scotland, a week ago Monday night. It was provided by Radio Moscow commentator M. Fedorov.

Fedorov said Churchill's proposal was "more than just an election trick." It was, Fedorov asserted, an admission of the failure of the Fulton, Mo., policy.

In the Fulton speech, Fedorov said, "Churchill voiced the claims of the ruling circles in the U. S. and Britain to world domination of the Anglo-Saxon races."

REJECTED PEACE POLICY

"He proposed that the British and Americans join forces to wage a more successful struggle against the Soviet Union. Churchill rejected the very idea of post-war co-operation among the three great powers."

"The aggressive course mapped out by Churchill at Fulton has

been diligently implemented by the Truman Administration and Labor leaders (in Britain) alike. . . .

"The people of the countries of the Anglo-American bloc already are feeling most tangibly the dire consequences of this policy."

"They do not want to be destroyed in the interest of American monopolies, either by the atom bomb or any other kind of bomb. They do not want to die a torturous death from the diseases caused by deadly bacilli. They want a peaceful and free life under normal conditions of human existence."

"Churchill, that dyed-in-the-wool demagogue and cunning politician, is prone to use the British people's desire for peace to further his own election machinations, but the policy of Fulton, aimed at establishing world domination of the Anglo-American monopolies, has failed completely

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Chrysler Offers Status Quo

DETROIT, Feb. 22.—The Chrysler Corp. today announced it had made demands on the United Auto Worker strikers for changes in the contract and then offered to drop these demands if the strikers in turn dropped all their demands for which they walked out 29 days ago.

FEPC Bill Wins Way To Floor of House

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The House was debating the Powell FEPC bill tonight, the first time since 1944 that any measure aimed at outlawing job discrimination against minority groups had reached the floor. Led by Rep. Adam Clayton Powell (D-NY) and Rep.

PRINCETON FIRE DAMAGES BIG ATOM SMASHER

PRINCETON, N. J., Feb. 22 (UP).—A fire at Princeton University today caused "extensive damage" to an 18,000,000-volt cyclotron used in the Los Alamos atom bomb project.

University authorities launched an immediate investigation into the blaze, which destroyed everything but the large horseshoe magnet of the \$400,000 atom smasher. The 35-ton machine will have to be rebuilt, a project that will take about six months.

A university spokesman discounted any possibility of sabotage. He said the cyclotron was used for "purely fundamental research, not classified."

The fire, put out at 10:30 a.m. some eight hours after it was discovered, was confined to the 30

by 15-foot square concrete room housing the research machine.

The cyclotron, one of the first atom smashers, was built in 1936 and rebuilt in 1946. During the war it was used for research on the Los Alamos A-bomb project. But recently it was not connected with national security and had been used for research in nuclear physics as related to high energy particles.

The cyclotron, seven feet high and 10 feet in diameter, was located in a concrete basement room in a three-story building used only by the physics department. All physics activities at the university were cancelled today.

University officials said the fire broke out about 2:30 a.m. in the oil used to cool the cyclotron.

Vito Marcantonio (ALP-NY) the line of the FEPC supporters was still holding firm at a late hour.

Five motions designed to prevent FEPC from coming to the floor were beaten back during the afternoon. After five hours of a filibuster by foes of the measure, friends of FEPC finally fought the FEPC bill to the floor and debate began at 5:40 p.m.

Twice after that, FEPC forces rallied to defeat motions to adjourn. The first came from Rep. Howard W. Smith (D-Va), floor leader for the Dixiecrat caucus. Rep. Francis Walter (D-Pa) who presided, ruled that Smith's motion was out of order. When Smith appealed the ruling of the chair he was defeated by a teller vote of 148 to 231.

The next attempt to block FEPC came at 8:30 p.m. Rep. Paul Shafer (R-Mich) moved to end the session. He lost by a teller vote of 107 to 179.

Powell expressed confidence (Continued on Page 4)

Forced Labor Move Planned By Lesinski

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Chairman John Lesinski (D-Mich) of the House Labor Committee, today promised to give "immediate" consideration to a bill granting President Truman power to take over the soft coal mines to force the striking coal miners back to work.

He also predicted the committee would approve the legislation which is drafted by Rep. Cleveland M. Bailey (D-W.Va) who poses as a "pro-labor" congressman. Bailey said he may introduce the bill tomorrow.

The Senate Judiciary subcommittee is considering a bill by Sen. A. Willis Robertson, (D-Va) which would make labor unions subject to the anti-trust laws. Robertson drafted it to deal specifically with the mine union.

Meantime, the United Mine Workers must face Federal Judge Richmond B. Keech tomorrow. Keech cited the union for contempt on Monday for failing to obey his court order calling off the strike.

UMW attorneys are scheduled to go before Keech at 10 a.m. EST, to show why they should not stand trial on Monday on government charges of "wilfully" disobeying the no-strike order.

UMW John L. Lewis and the coal operators continued to meet around the conference table in

fruitless contract negotiations.

When they recessed their talks late this afternoon until 11 a.m. tomorrow, none of the parties would talk about the negotiations.

Dewey Voted Power Over Coal Stocks

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 22.—The State Senate and Assembly today passed a bill granting Gov. Dewey authority to seize private coal stocks and impose price controls.

Dewey's coal powers will be used by State Fuel Administrator Bertram D. Tallamy, who already had decreed a state-wide brown-out.

In New York City, Police Commissioner William P. O'Brien said the city had about a seven-day supply of soft coal, contradicting Dewey's report that it had only a one-day supply.

MINERS' FOOD EXHAUSTED

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22.—Dr. Harry Truitt, New Kensington Progressive Party leader, telephoned local Progressive Party headquarters Wednesday morning that another five-ton truckload of food is desperately needed by Friday morning for 200 mine families in the Westmoreland County area. Dr. Truitt informed them, the Progressive Party announced, that a four-and-a-half ton truck load of food from Philadelphia had been exhausted this week.

The Pennsylvania edition of The Worker plans to load a truck with food for the striking miners at the Met Friday evening, Feb. 24, when a peace rally is being sponsored by the Communist Party.

Big Ford Local Launches Appeal

Special to the Daily Worker

DETROIT, Feb. 22.—Ford workers, 65,000 of them, at the giant River Rouge plant gates today were urged in a leaflet issued by union officers to fill nine moving vans next Monday and Tuesday with food and clothing for the striking miners.

Beer Union Sends Food to Miners

A four-truck caravan, carrying nearly 25 tons of food collected by the 7,000 members of the CIO Brewery Workers Union, will leave for the Western Pennsylvania coal fields tomorrow morning at 6 a.m.

The caravan will also deliver, for the New York Doctors Committee to Aid Strikers, thousands of items of medical supplies, vitamins and baby food contributed by hundreds of doctors in the New York area. These supplies will be turned over to doctors cooperating with the miners in the coal towns.

Arrangements have been made with brewery locals in Pittsburgh and Lancaster to deliver the food directly to the miners' families.

Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX
Managing Editor

Let me tell you today about a group of our press builders—white collar workers—who got four times their original quota of subs and now have one out of every five unionists in their shop subscribing.

The Daily News and the Post are popular in the shop. One of our press builders reads these papers with the other workers and then compares item for item in the DW . . . on FEPC, wages, Jewish question, etc. He doesn't kid the workers about their reading habits. He compares and then lets them judge. That's why he was able to sell 17 subs to The Worker.

The group doesn't neglect the Daily Worker either. They have a standing bundle order of nine every day.

Today's POINT of ORDER

The papers should have headlined the story this way: "U. S. Breaks With Bulgaria as Bulgaria Breaks With U. S. Spy Ring."

Will Ask Reopening of All Deportation Cases

The American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born yesterday announced that it would move for reopening of all deportation cases heard since the Federal Administrative Procedure Act became effective.

The decision was based on the recent Supreme Court ruling which held that the Immi-

gration Department hearings were not being conducted in an impartial manner, as outlined in the Federal act. It ordered the Immigration authorities to comply with the act.

Hailing the decision as a "victory for democratic processes," the committee pointed out that it had refused to participate in many of

the hearings because it was clear that the Immigration authorities were violating the Federal act.

Meanwhile, Edward J. Shaughnessy, Immigration Service district director, has announced that deportation cases have been "postponed."

City's Relief Rolls Rise for 14th Month

By Louise Mitchell

Public assistance rolls have increased for the 14th consecutive month, it was announced yesterday by Welfare Commissioner Raymond M. Hilliard. The unemployment situation, Hilliard added, has become "chronic." In January, he said, a net of 8,152 persons were added to the rolls as compared with the previous month, making the relief total 336,621 persons.

At the same time, Hilliard reported that the number of dropped cases had also increased. He regarded the increase in dropped cases the only hopeful sign for January. In December, 5,895 cases were closed while January the number dropped rose to 7,237.

In admitting the growing rate of dropped cases, Hilliard exposed the fact that his department closes cases even before need is ended. Most of the cases dropped belong to the home relief category.

Most new cases are also in the home relief group. The other categories, such as old age assistance, veterans, blind assistance and aid to dependent children, remain fairly stable.

The general increase in the caseload, Hilliard said, "is the result of chronic unemployment which continues high and which reflects itself in a high rate—between 3,500 and 4,000—of new applications per week for public assistance."

He called attention to the high increase in the number of persons who had exhausted their unemployment insurance benefits. Many of these people were forced to turn to relief after their savings were depleted. Especially hard hit, he said, were workers over 45, for whom employment opportunities were almost closed.

Memorial Saturday For Reuben Brainin

The 10th anniversary of the death of Reuben Brainin, dean of Hebrew literature, will be marked this Saturday at 8:30 p.m. at The New School for Social Research, 66 W. 12 St.

Brainin, in his later years, was an ardent supporter of friendship with the Soviet Union.

Among the speakers will be B. Z. Goldberg, columnist of "The Day"; Dr. Joshua Block, chief librarian of the Jewish division of The New York Public Library; Dr. Simon Bernstein, former head of the immigration department of the Zionist Organization of America; Nachman Meisel, editor of "Jewish Culture"; Leon Kussman, contributing editor of "The Jewish Morning Journal"; Paul Novick, editor of the "Morning Freiheit"; Joseph Brainin, chairman of the American Committee of Jewish Writers, and A. Jenofsky of the Ambijan Committee.

A musical program headed by Vivian Rivkin, concert pianist, and Marta Schlamme, folk singer, will be presented.

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Tenants Prepare for Public Hearing Today

Organized tenants are expected today to demand improved federal, state and city rent controls and to oppose any action to remove New York State from federal controls. They will make their demands heard at a public hearing scheduled by the State Joint Legislative Committee on Rents at the Bar Association building, 36 W. 44 St., at 10 a.m.

The hearing was called in response to requests by the New York Tenant Council and other organization opposing the proposed removal of New York State from federal control. The Joint Committee is considering such legislation.

FEPC Wins Way to Floor of House

(Continued from Page 3) that despite delaying tactics of the Dixiecrats, the measure would be adopted by the House by midnight tonight.

When debate ended, Rep. Sam McConnell (R-Pa.) offered as a substitute for the Powell bill his own measure for "voluntary" rather than compulsory steps to eliminate discrimination. Marcantonio sharply attacked the McConnell substitute. He said that the Pennsylvania objected to the Fair Employment Commission having the power to issue orders of "cease and desist" in the fight against discrimination. But the Taft-Hartley Act, which McConnell supported, uses the "cease and desist" power against organized labor, Marcantonio said.

"I prefer to use that system in protecting labor and the people," Marcantonio declared. He added that the FEPC bill, if enacted, would "knock out the main props of exploitation of all people who work for a living. It is a tremendous step in establishing equality and overthrowing the system of white supremacy which, arising from the south, is being extended to the north."

The galleries were still crowded late tonight.

The bill finally came to the floor under Calendar Wednesday procedure under which the chairman of a legislative committee may on Wednesday, at the call of the calendar, bring to the floor any measure previously approved by his group.

For more than five hours today, however, Dixiecrats, with more than a little assistance from House speaker Sam Rayburn (D-Tex) prevented the House from getting down to debate on the bill.

Eight quorum calls and roll calls were forced by the Dixiecrats, each consuming from 30 to 45 minutes. Repeated points of order were made to consume time.

Four times chairman John Lesinski (D-Mich.) of the House Labor Committee was on his feet seeking recognition in order to bring up the Powell bill. Each time Rayburn recognized a Dixiecrat who prolonged the filibuster.

Finally on his fifth attempt at 4:50 p.m., Lesinski secured recognition by Rayburn. "On behalf of the Committee on Education and Labor," he shouted Lesinski, "I hereby call up HR 4453."

Rep. Tom Pickett (D-Tex) interrupted to make the point of order that Lesinski had never been "properly authorized" by the committee to bring up the bill under Calendar Wednesday procedure. Lesinski read a resolution adopted by the House Labor Committee which instructed him to utilize "all parliamentary procedure" to get the bill before the House.

Rayburn dismissed Pickett's argument and ruled that Lesinski was in order. Rep. Howard Smith (D-Va), floor leader for the Dixiecrats,

made one final effort to stop the measure. He demanded a record vote on whether or not the House should proceed to its consideration.

When the clerk concluded the rollcall, the vote stood 287 to 121, and the FEPC measure became the business before the House. At 5:15 p.m. the speaker ordered the clerk to begin the reading of the Powell bill. House members, joined in by spectators in the gallery, broke into loud applause.

Galleries were packed even before the House convened, with a majority of the spectators, visitors from northern and midwestern states, here to observe whether their Congressmen were fighting for FEPC. Many Negroes were in the gallery.

Dixiecrats had given advance notice of their plans to filibuster the measure. A caucus of 100 southern Democrats late yesterday made public a resolution in which they announced their intention "to employ every honorable means and parliamentary procedure permitted under the rules of the House to prevent enactment of this totalitarian measure."

The caucus named Rep. Howard Smith (D-Va) as its floor leader and Rep. James Davis (D-Ga) as his assistant.

Hardly had the morning prayer finished before Rep. John Rankin (D-Miss) and Tom Murray (D-Tenn) were on their feet demanding a quorum call. Rep. John Bell Williams (D-Miss) blocked a unanimous consent request to dispense with the reading of the journal of yesterday's proceedings. An hour later the clerk was still reading the journal when Rep. Donald Nicholson (R-Mass) demanded another quorum call.

Rep. John McSwaney (D-O) finally began reading Washington's Farewell Address at 1:35, and finished at 2:18 p.m. Rep. Eugene Cox (D-Ga) was immediately on the floor with a motion for adjournment "as a further mark of respect to the Father of our country. Cox demanded a record vote, which lost 127 to 278, but more than 45 minutes was wasted.

At this point Speaker of the House Sam Rayburn (D-Tex) had his chance to recognize chairman John Lesinski (D-Mich.) of the House Labor Committee under the "call of the calendar," and thereby bring the Powell bill to the floor. Although Lesinski was on his feet, Rayburn recognized Rep. Dwight Rogers (D-Fla) who offered a privileged motion to dispense with Calendar Wednesday for today.

Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP-NY) immediately demanded to know whether Rogers had the motion in writing as required under the rules. Rogers had, and was given the floor for five minutes to argue for his motion.

Floor leaders for FEPC, including Rep. Adam Clayton Powell (D-NY), author of the bill, decided

not to answer Rogers, hoping this would speed the actual arrival of the bill on the floor. Rep. Thurston B. Morton (R-Ky), however, an opponent of the bill, took the five minutes allotted to the opposition, and sharply attack the Dixiecrat filibuster.

"The time has come to face up to the issue, and to stop hiding behind parliamentary maneuvers," Morton said, while members applauded.

Rogers' motion quickly lost by a voice vote, but Rep. Tom Pickett (D-Tex) demanded a record vote. This also lost, 121 to 285, but another 45 minutes was consumed.

By 3:30 p.m., the Dixiecrats had forced two quorum calls at 30 minutes each, two rollcalls at 45 minutes each, and had compelled the reading of the entire journal of yesterday's proceedings.

They hoped by this to so exhaust FEPC supporters that adjournment could be secured before the bill was acted on.

POWELL OPTIMISTIC

Rep. Powell was not pessimistic, however. He told reporters he expected voting to begin at 10 o'clock tonight and to complete passage of the bill by midnight. All test votes thus far have been won.

The most serious hurdle remaining lay in two substitute measures by Reps. Brooks Hays (D-Ark) and Sam McConnell (R-Pa). Both would remove from the Powell bill the power of the Fair Employment Practices Commission to compel employers "to cease and desist" from discriminating against Negroes and other minority groups. Rankin failed in a demand that the galleries be cleared, using as a pretext the fact that one of the FEPC rosters was discovered carrying a camera in violation of the rules. Rayburn ruled, however, that this was "not necessary."

When the Rogers motion was finally disposed of, Lesinski again sought the floor, only to have Rayburn give the nod to Rep. Vaughan Gary (D-Va), who made a point of order of no quorum. Rayburn counted 207 present, 11 less than a quorum, and obligingly ordered the clerk to call the roll.

Following this, Rep. Davis forced another record vote on a routine question of procedure.

Lesinski again sought the floor. This time Rayburn recognized Rep. Robert Sikes (D-Fla), who offered several motions, including one to adjourn. Marcantonio, rule book in hand, made a point of order that the House had already expressed itself against adjournment, that no substantial business had since been transacted, and therefore Sikes' motion was "dilatory" and need not be considered.

The clerk has already recognized the gentleman from Florida and his motion is before the House," Rayburn said.

Again the clerk began to call the roll.

Yemen King Jails Brother

CAIRO, Egypt, Feb. 22 (UP).—

The Arab weekly Akher Lahza said today that the King of Yemen, Imam Ahmed, has arrested his brother allegedly for trying to overthrow his regime.

Saif Ul-Islam Ismail, brother of the ruler of the tiny Arab kingdom on the Red Sea, was Minister of Education. He was arrested, according to an Aden dispatch in the weekly, after the king received information that he had contacts with army units in the capital city of Sanaa and two other places.

The dispatch said Ismail's followers succeeded in escaping to Aden following his arrest.

Yemenite Minister to Cairo Hassan Ibn Ibrahim, when asked about the reports, would say only that Ismail's arrests was not due to political reasons.

Friendship Cargo Dinner Tomorrow

A report just received from Madame Sun Yat-sen's voluntary relief quarters in Shanghai announced plans to equip a 100-bed hospital with supplies now being sent to China by the Friendship Cargo Campaign of China Welfare Appeal; it was disclosed yesterday by Dr. Gerald I. Shapiro, secretary-treasurer of the Appeal.

The report appealed for additional shipments of medical supplies, drugs, diagnostic and surgical equipment needed to supply the new hospital.

Dr. Shapiro announced a Chinese Festival Dinner will be held tomorrow (Friday) at the New Hankow Restaurant to further the current Friendship Cargo campaign.

Reservations for the dinner (\$3.50 each) may be secured by telephoning China Welfare Appeal, Murray Hill 6-8525.

4 Czech Officials Sentenced as Spies

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Feb. 22 (UP).—Four government officials have been sentenced to long terms in prison for spying for Britain and France, the State News Agency announced today.

The executives were first sentenced to death, but the sentences were commuted, the agency said.

The agency said the principal defendant, Dr. Jiro Strych, described simply as a "high official," had access to "important international economic documents." Strych was alleged to have given the information contained in these papers to France and Britain.

Goons Attack Lawrenson Home

TERRORIZE HIS CHILDREN AND SMASH APARTMENT WINDOWS

National Maritime Union president Joseph Curran's goons Wednesday night sought to break into the home of Jack Lawrenson, NMU vice president and rank-and-file leader.

The goons, two of whom were identified, threatened the family, including Lawrenson's three-year-old son and 8-year-old daughter.

Prevented from entering, the goons then kicked in the windows of the basement apartment at 17 Charles St., shouting vile threats at Mr. and Mrs. Lawrenson and the two children.

Lawrenson, describing the incident, said that four men drove up to the house at about 9:30 p.m. Two of them came to the door.

BARB ENTRANCE

Mrs. Lawrenson answered the bell and the men demanded that they be permitted to enter the apartment. At that point, Lawrenson came to the door and, recognizing the men as Curran machine goons, barred the entrance.

He identified them as individuals named McInerney and Fisher.

Mrs. Lawrenson, in the meantime, called the Charles Street police precinct. Detective Thomas Love arrived after the men had driven off.

Queries at the precinct yesterday brought no response other than that detectives were working on the case.

At the time of the attack the entire Lawrenson family, including the two children, were home. The children had been permitted to stay up a little later than usual since the next day was a school holiday.

The shouts of the men and the

crashing of the windows brought a terror-ridden night for the children.

They heard the goons call their father vile names and warn him that his future would be a short one if he continued his activity against the Curran machine. The goons demanded that he step out so that they could work him over.

Lawrenson declared yesterday: "These tactics are the proof that Curran is on his way out and knows it. Sailors don't go for attacks on women and children. This is merely part of their desperate effort to wreck the rank and file but it will have the opposite effect. It will only further arouse and unite the rank and file."



LAWRENSON

'WORKER' PLANS 2d TRUCK WITH FOOD FOR MINERS

With five tons of food sent out to the striking miners in the first shipment in the Daily Worker's Feed-the-Miners campaign, readers were urged yesterday to rush contributions for a second truckload, scheduled to leave Monday.

Included in the 10,000 pounds of food were 11,500 cans, donated individually and in cases. A large amount of baby food was included in the shipment, while enough clothing has been collected to care for current needs. One of the items sent to the mine fields was a box of new stockings for children, which was contributed by a group of Bronx school kids.

The Labor Youth League, whose members formed the volunteer crew that loaded the truck, sent a case of soap labeled with the slogan: For a Clean Victory.

Many of the cans were accompanied by messages of greetings to the miners from workers here. Medical supplies, including vitamins, were donated by doctors.

NEED FOOD
The greatest need of the miners now is food, since they are faced with a double-barrelled drive by the government and the coal bosses to starve them out. The scanty credit that they received at company stores at the beginning of the

walkout—\$1 a day per family—has been cut off since the federal injunction barring help to the miners. What is needed most of all is staple foods.

Suggested items are: canned milk, vegetables, beans, meats, soups, flour, cooked cereals (not dry), sugar, coffee, lard and other fats, tobacco and cigarettes.

Organizations were urged to buy in quantity, by the case or the 100 lb. bag, especially on such items as flour, sugar, coffee, etc.

The attempt to starve the miners makes speed a necessity, since the strike can be won or lost by the amount of food shipped into the mine fields. Contributions should reach the Daily Worker offices, 35 E. 12 St., in time to make the next shipment. Since it is impossible to pick up the contributions, those who are unable to bring them to the Daily Worker are urged to bring them to their local Communist Party clubs, which will send them along.

Volunteers who help pack the goods are needed at the Daily Worker offices on Friday and Saturday. Anyone who can pitch in for a few hours is urged to come in and help the miners by loading the shipment.

Forced Labor Move Planned By Lesinski

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Chairman John Lesinski (D-Mich) of the House Labor Committee, today promised to give "immediate" consideration to a bill granting President Truman power to take over the soft coal mines to force the striking coal miners back to work.

He also predicted the committee would approve the legislation which is drafted by Rep. Cleveland M. Bailey (D-W.Va) who poses as a "pro-labor" congressman. Bailey said he may introduce the bill tomorrow.

The Senate Judiciary subcommittee is considering a bill by Sen. A. Willis Robertson, (D-Va) which would make labor unions subject to the anti-trust laws. Robertson drafted it to deal specifically with the mine union.

Meantime, the United Mine Workers must face Federal Judge Richmond B. Keech tomorrow. Keech cited the union for contempt on Monday for failing to obey his court order calling off the strike.

UMW attorneys are scheduled to go before Keech at 10 a.m. EST, to show why they should not stand trial on Monday on government charges of "willfully" disobeying the no-strike order.

UMW John L. Lewis and the coal operators continued to meet around the conference table in

fruitless contract negotiations.

When they recessed their talks late this afternoon until 11 a.m. tomorrow, none of the parties would talk about the negotiations.

Dewey Voted Power Over Coal Stocks

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 22.—The State Senate and Assembly today passed a bill granting Gov. Dewey authority to seize private coal stocks and impose price controls.

Dewey's coal powers will be used by State Fuel Administrator Bertram D. Tallamy, who already had decreed a state-wide brown-out.

In New York City, Police Commissioner William P. O'Brien said the city had about a seven-day supply of soft coal, contradicting Dewey's report that it had only a one-day supply.

MINERS' FOOD EXHAUSTED

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22.—Dr. Harry Truitt, New Kensington Progressive Party leader, telephoned local Progressive Party headquarters Wednesday morning that another five-ton truckload of food is desperately needed by Friday morning for 200 mine families in the Westmoreland County area. Dr. Truitt informed them, the Progressive Party announced, that a four-and-a-half ton truck load of food from Philadelphia had been exhausted this week.

The Pennsylvania edition of The Worker plans to load a truck with food for the striking miners at the Met Friday evening, Feb. 24, when a peace rally is being sponsored by the Communist Party.

Big Ford Local Launches Appeal

Special to the Daily Worker

DETROIT, Feb. 22.—Ford workers, 65,000 of them, at the giant River Rouge plant gates today were urged in a leaflet issued by union officers to fill nine moving vans next Monday and Tuesday with food and clothing for the striking miners.

Beer Union Sends Food to Miners

A four-truck caravan, carrying nearly 25 tons of food collected by the 7,000 members of the CIO Brewery Workers Union, will leave for the Western Pennsylvania coal fields tomorrow morning at 6 a.m.

The caravan will also deliver, for the New York Doctors Committee to Aid Strikers, thousands of items of medical supplies, vitamins and baby food contributed by hundreds of doctors in the New York area. These supplies will be turned over to doctors cooperating with the miners in the coal towns.

Arrangements have been made with brewery locals in Pittsburgh and Lancaster to deliver the food directly to the miners' families.

Chrysler Offers Status Quo

DETROIT, Feb. 22.—The Chrysler Corp. today announced it had made demands on the United Auto Worker strikers for changes in the contract and then offered to drop these demands if the strikers in turn dropped all their demands for which they walked out 29 days ago.

FEPC Bill Wins Way To Floor of House

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The House began consideration of the Powell FEPC bill at 5:15 p.m. this afternoon. This action was the culmination of a struggle which began last August, meeting repeated setbacks at the hands of Dixiecrats supported by

PRINCETON FIRE DAMAGES BIG ATOM SMASHER

PRINCETON, N. J., Feb. 22 (UP).—A fire at Princeton University today caused "extensive damage" to an 18,000,000-volt cyclotron used in the Los Alamos atom bomb project.

University authorities launched an immediate investigation into the blaze, which destroyed everything but the large horseshoe magnet of the \$400,000 atom smasher. The 35-ton machine will have to be rebuilt, a project that will take about six months.

A university spokesman discounted any possibility of sabotage. He said the cyclotron was used for "purely fundamental research, not classified."

The fire, put out at 10:30 a.m. some eight hours after it was discovered, was confined to the 30

by 15-foot square concrete room housing the research machine.

The cyclotron, one of the first atom smashers, was built in 1936 and rebuilt in 1946. During the war it was used for research on the Los Alamos A-bomb project. But recently it was not connected with national security and had been used for research in nuclear physics as related to high energy particles.

The cyclotron, seven feet high and 10 feet in diameter, was located in a concrete basement room in a three-story building used only by the physics department. All physics activities at the university were cancelled today.

University officials said the fire broke out about 2:30 a.m. in the oil used to cool the cyclotron.

the leadership of both the Democratic and Republican parties.

Rep. Adam Clayton Powell (D-NY) expressed confidence that despite delaying tactics of the Dixiecrats, the measure would be adopted by the House by midnight tonight.

The bill finally came to the floor under Calendar Wednesday procedure under which the chairman of a legislative committee may on Wednesday, at the call of the calendar, bring to the floor any measure previously approved by his group.

For more than five hours today, however, Dixiecrats, with more than a little assistance from House speaker Sam Rayburn (D-Tex) prevented the House from getting down to debate on the bill.

Eight quorum calls and roll calls were forced by the Dixiecrats, each consuming from 30 to 45 minutes. Repeated points of order were made to consume time.

Four times chairman John Lesinski (D-Mich) of the House Labor

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Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX
Managing Editor

Let me tell you today about a group of our press builders—white collar workers—who got four times their original quota of subs and now have one out of every five unionists in their shop subscribing.

The Daily News and the Post are popular in the shop. One of our press builders reads these papers with the other workers and then compares item for item in the DW... on FEPC, wages, Jewish question, etc. He doesn't kid the workers about their reading habits. He compares and then lets them judge. That's why he was able to sell 17 subs to The Worker.

The group doesn't neglect the Daily Worker either. They have a standing bundle order of nine every day.

Today's POINT of ORDER

The papers should have headlined the story this way: "U. S. Breaks With Bulgaria as Bulgaria Breaks With U. S. Spy Ring."

MARITIME PAGE

Appears Every Thursday in the Daily Worker

National Body Set Up For NMU Democracy

The National Emergency Rank and File Conference of the National Maritime Union, with approximately 200 delegates in attendance, from ships and almost every port in the nation, last Sunday established a United Rank and File organization on a national basis.

Delegates to the conference came from Seattle in the north-west, San Pedro in the south-west, Houston and New Orleans in the Gulf, etc. They came by train, bus, plane, and hitchhiking. They raised money from their ship mates to finance their trip and the Conference. They came with their own ideas as to what was to be done to meet the critical crisis on the waterfront.

This conference, initiated, organized and run by rank and file members of the union, the overwhelming majority of whom never held an official position in the union and were former supporters of the union's president, Joe Curran, marks a historical development in the struggle for progressive trade unionism as against the cold-war policies of Curran and the CIO. In short, it is historical because it was strictly rank and file from beginning to end.

REPORTS FROM PORTS

As the delegates poured into New York, the stories they told showed the determination of the rank and file to fight back against the ship-owner onslaught. Baltimore delegates told of how a Curran goon-squad rushed into the union hall in Baltimore and told them that if any of them went to the Conference they would be "killed", that their teeth would be knocked out and their "backs broken". In spite of this, Baltimore had the second largest delegation.

From the Gulf, where in past weeks Curran's henchmen have been shooting at their opponents, an equally representative delegation of Negro and white came to the Conference. And so on, with every port telling a story of the courage and determination of the rank and file.

They met Sunday morning at Tom Mooney Hall. They heard a key-note address by Jack Lawrence. It was during Lawrence's report that 35 Curran goons were defeated in an attempt to disrupt the Conference.

The goons entered the building throwing bricks, swinging iron bars and wielding knives. An alarm was sounded, and the rank and file went down from the fifth floor and chased the goons away, sending four of them to jail. The rank and file then went back and resumed their meeting as if nothing had happened.

From that point on it was clear that the rank and file could not be diverted from accomplishing their task. They heard a report from the Steering Committee which had sent out the original call to the Conference. They then set up committees to handle and expedite the functioning of the Conference. They had a resolutions committee, an organizing committee, a slate committee, a press committee, and every delegate there attended one or the

other of the committee's meetings.

When it was all over the rank and file had pounded out a militant program to defend the hiring hall by strike action if necessary, to fight for jobs by demanding an end to the cold war which excludes trade with half the world, to fight for a democratic union by proposing a rank and file slate of candidates for the coming union elections. And to accomplish this they established a United Rank and File organization headed by a national Steering Committee in which is represented every possible shade of political opinion.

All of this and much more was accomplished by the same rank and file that Curran calls "gas-hounds" and "scenery-bums". By the same rank and file that the top officialdom of the CIO and AFL look down their noses at with contempt. It was accomplished by a determined united rank and file which intends to put into effect the type of struggle that will defeat the red-baiting, corrupt regime of Joe Curran and the ship-owners.

From the T-H Horse's Mouth

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (UP)—Senator Robert A. Taft (R-O.) said today he was not against union hiring halls if they admitted non-union members.

Senator Taft, who has much influence in Senate Labor Committee decisions, indicated that he would flatly oppose anything "which changed the abolition of the closed shop."

(What do those advocates of compromise with Taft-Hartley; those simple-minded labor "leaders" who hold hopes of amending the T-H Law, of maneuvering to live within it, have to say now that we have heard the facts from the horse's mouth.—Ed.)

CP Not Involved In NLRB Complaint

Recent stories in the press have attempted to link the action of Joe Stack, in going to the NLRB to file a complaint against the NMU, with the Waterfront Section of the Communist Party.

Joe Stack, former official in the NMU, is not a member of the Communist Party. The Communist Party takes no responsibility for any actions such as this by Joe Stack or anyone else.

Sea Story

In attempting to explain away the rank and file victory in New York when the membership rejected the charges against Jack Lawrence, vice-president of the NMU, the port agent of Baltimore, John J. Smith, said the following:

"I have heard this, not from union sources but from Nationalist sources, that the 100 Chinese members of the union in the port of New York voted for Jack Lawrence because they were intimidated by the fact that they have a Communist Government in their homeland."

Union News Roundup

AMERICAN RADIO ASSOCIATION—Latest meeting called on CIO executive board to urge strike action to defend marine hiring halls. They elected a contract enforcement committee to begin mobilizing their membership to defend the hiring hall.

UMSWA-CIO LOCAL 22—They passed a resolution instructing all shop stewards take up collections in all departments to aid the striking coal miners.

MFOWW-IND.—In regard to the proposed conference of maritime unions to meet on the question of the hiring halls, the New York branch passed a motion that "either all unions be allowed to attend or the MFOWW should not participate." Reasons for this is because the ILWU and MCS on the west coast were not invited because of alleged "Communist ties."

NMU-CIO—At the Emergency Rank and File Conference last week-end, an appeal to all maritime unions was made to meet immediately to defend the hiring halls. Other news on the Conference appears on this page.

Bridges Turns Back The Redbaiting Enemy

The Government prosecutor's attempts to red bait Harry Bridges, in the fourth attempt at deportation now taking place in a San Francisco courtroom, are being defeated by Harry Bridges, who, remaining calm, has been answering them with a sharp, intelligent tongue and working-class wit.

On Feb. 14, when the prosecution tried to red-bait Bridges by claiming that a switch in the California State CIO presidency, which Bridges had supported, was ordered by the Communist Party, he (Bridges) gave the following testimony:

"It was my idea and nobody else's. . . . The first person I discussed it with was Sidney Hillman (late president of the CIO Amalgamated Clothing Workers) during the CIO convention in Philadelphia . . . and later with Phil Murray."

"The change had nothing to do with Communism or the Communist Party. It was a trade union matter."

With a smile, Bridges recalled that Mervyn Rathborne, former CIO official and now the government's ace informer, was quite shaken up when the change was made. . . . Rathborne took it so hard he disappeared for a couple of weeks, off on a big drunk we found out."

ANATOMY OF A SPY

In the following passages Bridges dissects the anatomy of a stoolpigeon.

"In trade unions, it's just like anywhere else. You have to trust people, put them in positions of authority, hope they will do the job."

"Some people can't carry the load. Our standards, those of a left wing union, may be high."

Over a period of time, Schomaker couldn't carry the load. He didn't measure up.

"He tried to move along fast, make money. It's slow. His wife was always beefing."

"She told me once, 'John has to take his choice between me and the union. I'm tired of all this. He's at the union meetings every night.'"

"Schomaker tried to get along in the union. He got elected several times, but didn't make the grade. The men turned him down, not me. He wanted us to put him on the payroll. He wasn't making enough money."

"So, Mr. Donohue, he finally sold out, that's all."

"You know, Mr. Donohue, the only people who don't sell out are the working people down below. They never do. But union leaders sell out, every day."

"That's all that happened to Schomaker. He got tired. Sold out. It's an old story."

"There's nothing new about it, happens every day. In government even members of the bench sell out," Bridges paused.

"And while we're on the subject, the best way to sell out is to be a super-duper anti-Communist. Look at Farnell Thomas, the biggest anti-Communist in the country. And all the time he was making his stenographers kick back. He only got six months for it, but if it had been me, they'd have thrown away the key."

Dockers Throughout World Join Struggle for Peace

By Jack Karan

Longshoremen are fighting for peace. It's one of the biggest news stories of this or any year. But it only breaks through into the headlines occasionally, such as when, last week, 1,000 French dock workers dumped into the sea rocket launchers and other war material going to Indo-China.

This was only the most spectacular of many actions that have been taking place all over Europe. Longshoremen all over Italy are refusing to unload war materials. Such action has already been taken by the dockers of Genoa, Savona, Leghorn, Civitavecchia, Imperia, Venice, Ancona, La Spezia and Livorno. The latest group of dockers to refuse to unload war materials were the longshoremen of Bari. The decision was taken at a general assembly of port workers at which delegations representing dockers of the smaller Adriatic ports of Brindisi, Taranto and Barletta were also present.

In France, a broad movement has developed against the unloading of American war materials. Dockers in Marseilles, Bordeaux, Lorient, Nantes, Saint Nazaire, La Rochelle, Dunkerque, Cherbourg, Havre and in North African ports refused to unload war materials. Other workers in the ports are being drawn into Coordinating Committees to develop unity of all workers in the fight for peace.

In St. Nazaire, 5,000 people stopped work and demonstrated recently against the arrival of the American warship "Power." Money is being collected throughout the country for the St. Nazaire dockers who, although they have been locked out for several months still refuse to load munitions.

ing conducted against the colonial war in Indo-China. The strike on Jan. 10 by the crew of the "Pesteur" gave rise to a demonstration of Marseilles citizens demanding the withdrawal of the expeditionary force from Indo-China. Longshoremen, crane drivers, and the people of La Rochelle prevented armaments from being loaded on the La Falaize.

In Dunkerque, Calais, and Havre a number of vessels were compelled to sail without cargo, when dockers refused to load munitions. In Oran, North Africa, dockers refused to load a British ship bound for Indo-China.

The fight of the longshoremen for peace is receiving the support of the French people, especially the women. Women have been participating in the demonstrations in the ports. They have also been visiting the factories and insisting that work on the production of war materials be stopped.

This movement is not confined to Italy and France. In Holland, a Peace Committee set up in the port of Rotterdam met with a ready response from the dock workers. Hundreds of longshoremen employed by shipping companies in Amsterdam, Rotterdam and other ports declared they would refuse to unload ships carrying arms from America.

Even in Western Germany longshoremen are refusing to unload U.S. arm shipments. Two U.S.

Navy destroyers, the Power and the Steinaker, are moored alongside the Hamburg docks in order to intimidate union longshoremen refusing to unload arms.

The workers of Europe resent our Marshall Plan shipments and the cold war we have been trying to force on them. They want jobs and peace. Instead, the policies of the Truman administration have been creating unemployment and the danger of war.

American longshoremen also have a great stake in the fight for peace and a great tradition to uphold. In 1918 Seattle longshoremen refused to load ships with armaments to be used against the new Soviet Republic. Long before Pearl Harbor, West Coast longshoremen were refusing to load ships with scrap iron for fascist Japan. And today there is beginning to develop a growing understanding on both the West Coast and the East Coast that the fight for trade and peaceful relations with China, Eastern Europe, and the Soviet Union is not only a fight for jobs for American workers, but also an important part of the fight for peace.

In New York, 200 members of the National Maritime Union, delegates to the Emergency Rank and File Conference of the NMU, passed a resolution calling for an end to the cold-war and a peaceful resumption of trade with the Soviet Union, China and the New Democracies.

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Detroit Bars Relief to Chrysler Strikers

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By William Allan

DETROIT, Feb. 22.—"What do you want us single women to do, go out and get money the bad way?" asked the unmarried Chrysler woman striker of the relief official at the Larned and St. Antoine city welfare station. The reply was a blank look.

"I have an eviction notice from Herman Garden's housing project for non-payment of rent, and they won't give me any relief until I get that fixed up. I borrowed 26 cents for bus fare to get here, and

I'm sitting seven hours without no results," said Donald A. Maples, a spot welder from Dodge. He has a wife and two children.

David Buchanan, Negro Dodge worker, started to seek a relief check last Monday. We saw him Thursday. He still had nothing and was sent away to find proof he lived in Detroit one year. He has many years seniority in Dodge's.

A DeSoto worker, single, waiting five days for relief, was told by relief authorities, "How come

you have run out of money so soon?"

After days of waiting, the strikers, if they get any relief, are handed 60 cents a day for a child and 80 cents a day for an adult. They get that only if they don't have a television set, don't have working relatives, don't have insurance of more than \$500, and have a television set, don't have relief, only 27 strikers have been placed on relief. They get an average of \$12 a week for a family

The City of Detroit Welfare Commission has a million dollar surplus fund for "emergencies," anyone getting relief now must reimburse the welfare office when they return to work. No striker has not lived in this for one year. Strikers are being given appointments with relief investigators for March 17. Even then they have to wait two weeks for checks. This is how the city of Detroit,

unchallenged by the top brass of the UAW-CIO, is actively helping the Chrysler Corp. to starve the Chrysler workers into a sellout settlement or a back-to-work movement.

Scores of eviction notices are being handed strikers by the Detroit Public Housing Commission despite an earlier agreement that no such evictions would take place. Yet this week the city administration could appropriate money for killing the pigeons that roost on the City Hall roof.

AFRICAN WORKERS HAIL MINERS' STRUGGLE

By Elihu Hicks

The working people of French West Africa know about the strike of U. S. coal miners and hail it because it "shows the fighting spirit of workers," declared Abdoulaye Diallo, secretary general of the French Sudan Trade Union Council, at a press conference called by the Council on African Affairs Saturday.

A vice-president and member of the executive bureau of the World Federation of Trade Unions, Diallo was appointed along with French,

Polish and Mexican labor leaders on a delegation to present to the United Nations Economic and Social Council a 42-page report on social and economic discriminations against workers for reasons of race or color, prepared by the WFTU.

The African labor leader told of increasing organized resistance to imperialist oppression in the Ivory Coast. The resistance is led by the African Trade Unions and the African Democratic Union, a mil-

lion-member political organization with two representatives on the French Chamber of Deputies. The resistance movement takes the form of strikes, mass demonstrations and boycotts against imported goods, he stated, and the government has attempted to crush these movements through jailing of leaders and police attacks. He said that over two thousand women participate directly in the Democratic Union and their members are increasing.

CP Brings Issues Into 'Me-Too' British Campaign

By Derek Kartun

LONDON, Feb. 22.—This election campaign has been the biggest exhibition of political shadow-boxing between the major parties in recent years. Indeed, were it not for the fact that the Communist Party is running candidates in 100 of the 625 constituencies, there would be no breath of reality in the election at all.

There have been three weeks of electioneering and even in the realm of personal abuse and vilification it has been a mild election. Anthony Bevan, Minister of Health, called Winston Churchill a decoy for the Tory Party—a piece of political cheese; Tories have called labor leaders dictators and bunglers. A little mild swearing has been heard at meetings. But on policy questions there has scarcely been a voice raised in anger.

This is so because on the basic questions—frozen wages, high taxation, anti-Sovietism, Atlantic Pact and refusal to ban the H-bomb—there is complete and absolute unanimity between Labor and the Tories. Thus the British electorate is given a choice of voting for

alternative representatives of a Tory policy.

C. F. ALTERNATIVE

Only in Communist-contested areas is the alternative being put, and it has been characteristic of these places that Communist meetings have been crowded, attentive and very friendly. Only the traditional working class fear of letting in the Tories by splitting the progressive vote can prevent the Communist Party from polling heavily in many areas.

It was clearly the intention of both major parties to exclude foreign affairs entirely from the campaign for the good reason that it has become impossible for them to shake up even a phony fight on international questions. But it is a measure of public interest in the international situation and popular concern at the manufacture of the H-bomb that Churchill was ultimately obliged to deal with it.

He did so by claiming he would talk with Stalin on peace should he be elected—a vote-catching promise which no serious elector believes in. In turn—a victim of popular feeling—Attlee has had to talk in similar though less definite terms. But this discussion of the hydrogen bomb has been the beginning and the end of the major parties' discussion of serious issues.

In the main they have concentrated on telling the electorate about the past, whereas Communists have talked mainly about what's going to happen here next.

Both Labor and Tory leaders say they are confident of victory, but these protestations at present writing sound more convincing from Labor headquarters than they do from the Conservatives.

Vets Group to Hit Arms Moves

Picketing arms shipments to Europe "to register our protest against veterans' bonus money going to murderous wars," was part of an action program adopted by the Union of New York Veterans at its founding meeting. It was announced yesterday by Oliver Martin, chairman.

The program also included a campaign to retain veterans' benefits under the GI Bill of Rights which is fast being whittled away.

"We are going to picket the first arms shipment under the North Atlantic Treaty program and we urge all peace-loving Americans to join us," Martin said. "We want armaments immediately reduced with the resulting savings to go to veterans who are in desperate need of a federal bonus. We want peace and security. We want hell-bomb production stopped before it starts."

A date has not yet been announced for arms shipments to Europe.

BONUS PLAN

The Union of New York Veterans' bonus plan calls for an average federal bonus of at least \$2,000 per veteran. It proposes that the first bonus payments come out of an immediate reduction in arms expenditures. The rest of the money should come from corporations' excess profits taxes, according to the chairman.

The veterans also made plans for a drive to maintain and protect veterans' benefits under the GI Bill of Rights—especially the

right of veterans attending private trade schools.

Officers of the organization elected an overflow rally last week are: Martin, chairman; Morris Sussman, vice chairman; Stanley Walker, secretary; Ann Einbinder, treasurer; and an executive committee of 15 officers at large.

"Our veterans' organization has a healthy mixture of Negro and white veterans working together. Nearly all of them are wage earners and GI students," said Martin who was New York State commander of the United Negro and Allied Veterans.

Brother veterans groups have already been formed in California and the Midwest, the chairman said.

OUTPUT UP, PRICES DOWN IN EAST EUROPE

Czechoslovak industry has achieved 102.8 percent of its goals in the first year of the Five-Year Plan, latest Czech Government figures show. Per capita output was almost 40 percent above the pre-war year of 1937. More important, consumption in this People's Democracy kept pace in 1949 with production progress.

In the Marshallized countries of Western Europe, consumption has declined. The Economic Cooperation Administration reported last week that production in the Marshall countries was back to 1938 levels, but that consumption—living standards—was lower than in 1938.

In Czechoslovakia consumers now get an average of 20 percent more textile goods than in 1937; rationing of essential foods and

other commodities has ended; wages rose 15 percent last year; 12 times as much was spent on health services as in 1937; three times as much on schools and education, and twice as much on social insurance.

Slovakia, which before the war had been kept by the Czech bourgeoisie in industrial backwardness, has reached production levels 199.1 percent over pre-war standards.

SOFIA (Telepress).—Bulgaria achieved 110 percent of its production goal in 1949, the first year of the Five Year Plan. The State Planning Commission announced that industrial production was 30 percent higher than in 1948; construction was 123 percent of the plan, or 45 percent more than in

1948; transport was 107 percent of the plan, or 8 percent more than in 1948.

"Chronic unemployment has been forever liquidated," the government said, noting that in 1949 Bulgaria had 81,000 more workers and clerks than in 1948, while labor productivity rose 11 percent. Bulgarians lived better in 1949, consuming 32 percent more sugar, 184 percent more meat, 83 percent more vegetables, 28 percent more potatoes and 89 percent more soap than in 1948.

In 1949, Bulgaria has 1,056,700 school children and 38,382 university students, or an increase of 83,700 school children and a 100 percent rise in university students since 1944.

Progressive Party Aide Tells of Fight For Vote in South

By Max Gordon

The political temperature in the South is rapidly rising as the movement for Negro rights comes into sharp collision with the developing Dixiecrat menace. This is the picture of Southern politics brought back to New York by Louis Burnham, dynamic director of the Progressive Party for that part of the country. Burnham sees this struggle as one of the big issues with which his Party will have to grapple at its second national convention in Chicago this week-end.

The political battle centers on the electoral rights of the Negro people, who have made important headway in the past half dozen years. The basis for the Dixiecrat movement, which has become active in every Southern state, is to try to wipe out the gains both through terror and through "legal" means.

land are crowding into the larger Southern cities.

Burnham recalled that the Progressive Party had projected, in 1948, a program calling for a billion dollars a year for four years to reconstruct and convert Southern agriculture so as to give land to the sharecroppers and tenants, and the means of making a living on it.

ECONOMIC STRUGGLES

In addition to the political ferment, however, economic upheavals are taking place, too, Burnham said in an interview here. Negro and white sharecroppers and tenants are being driven off the land in great numbers, and another "Crisis of Wrath" is shaping up. This is a result partly of the decline of the cotton economy in the Southeastern part of the country, and of mechanization. The displaced workers of the

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Dear Mr. President:

I want my country to stop the race to destroy humanity.

I therefore urge you to stop the manufacture of the deadly

"H" Bomb. I want peace.

Name _____

Address _____

Reproduced above is the postcard now being distributed by the Congress of American Women, calling upon the President to stop manufacture of the H-bomb. The card is addressed to President Truman. As part of its campaign against atomic war, the Congress has called a rally March 7 at which Mrs. Eleanora Roosevelt and Mrs. Ada B. Jackson will speak.

Of Things to Come A New Negro Leadership

By John Pittman

MANY PEOPLE HOPE that Progressive Party leaders meeting this weekend at Chicago will act to speed the growth of the Labor-Negro Alliance. For the extent to which this is done successfully will measure not only the new party's chances for victory at the polls, but also the service it will be able to render the American people in their hour of peril. Hence, the Chicago decisions can have the greatest importance for our country's future. And the new party can



move instantly into action on the basis of its rich experience and the solid foundations it laid in 1948, when it named 37 Negro candidates for state or congressional office. Who can forget that the keynote address of the founding convention of the Progressive Party, on the evening of July 23, 1948, in Philadelphia, was given by a Negro—Charles P. Howard? Or his devastating indictment of the two old parties and the rulers of America: "For the first time in my life, I am experiencing human dignity."

IT WAS NO LITTLE THING that the major policy speech of a new American political party was made by a man born in a small South Carolina town where his forebears had been slaves; for 30 years a Republican, a member of the Shriners, Elks and the Iowa Chamber of Commerce, a founder of the Des Moines Abraham Lincoln Post of the American Legion, a successful lawyer and father of three sons who served with honor in the American armed forces during World War II. Truly a substantial citizen!

Yet, because of the oppression of U. S. Negroes, Howard was forced by self-respect and his need for elementary human dignity to break with this conservative past, and to renounce the role which the American ruling class has assigned to the Negro middle class in exchange for some of the crumbs from its table.

Many more Howards are ready to make this break. Indeed, of the 37 Negro candidates of the Progressive Party in 1948, nine were lawyers, four were preachers or journalists, three were physicians and dentists, two were civic leaders; two, artisans; two, businessmen; and one representing each of the categories of teachers, social workers, politicians, writers and students.

MORE IMPORTANT, however, for the task of building the Labor-Negro Alliance, is the Negro working class leader. For he alone has the necessary ties with the white working class—ties of common work and common grievances, of common interests and habits enforced by the discipline of labor, and all the infinite ties of sympathy and understanding and necessity which, as Lincoln saw, comprise the "strongest bond" known to man. He is the natural bridge between the labor movement and the Negro liberation movement. He is the product of the social forces already forging the alliance between these two movements. He is, therefore, the leader chosen by circumstances for the key task of the hour.

The Progressive Party leadership recognized this fact to some extent in 1948, and 10 of the party's Negro candidates were trade unionists. They came chiefly from the North and West, and there were more from the CIO than from the AFL and railroad unions. But it is necessary to note that there are thousands of Negro trade unionists whose capacity for organizations and leadership can be seen from the responsible positions they hold in Negro organizations, such as churches, lodges, social and civic clubs.

The discovery and elevation of these capable leaders becomes, therefore, a major responsibility for any organization seriously concerned with building the Labor-Negro Alliance. And other organizations, to follow the Progressive Party's example, must first renounce white supremacist slanders against Negro working class leaders. The Amos and Andy stereotype, with its ridicule of Negro deacons, lodge masters, club officers and other working class leaders, will have to be thrown on the garbage pile, where it belongs.

Most important, however, is the promotion of Negro trade unionists to leadership of the trade unions. And here the main obstacle is not only the white supremacist attitudes of the white workers, but the subtly chauvinist policies of union leaders such as Reuther and Murray, who try to excuse their slighting of Negro unionists by arguing that to promote Negroes to leadership would be to "single out" Negroes, thus "discriminating against" them!

VIRGIL



By Len Kleis

World of Labor

By
George
Morris

ACTU Now Jumps on "Socialist" Allies

AS WAS PREDICTED in this column during the CIO convention, the Vatican-inspired Murray-Carey forces are already beginning to needle their "socialist" allies. This is not yet taking open and official form, but the advance scouts of the hierarchy, its Association of Catholic Trade Unionists chaplains, are already giving the "line" to the faithful.

The Rev. Karl Hubble, chaplain of the Detroit ACTU, has for some months been issuing veiled threats to "non-Communist Marxists." His piece in the current Wage Earner, the ACTU's organ, is not even veiled. This would appear like ingratitude to Walter Reuther and David Dubinsky, who did so much to defeat the Social Democrats and encourage the Vatican's forces at the recent conference of the "scab international" or International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, as it was misnamed.

Father Hubble expresses delight over the reported unity of the Catholics, Republicans and Saragat Socialist union groups in Italy into a "non-Communist" labor body. He is hopeful this group may now be more effective in its scab-like opposition to the powerful Italian General Confederation of Labor led by Communists and Left (Nenni) Socialists. The ACTU priest is hopeful because of the decision to keep the new outfit "non-political."

THEN FATHER HUBBLE swings to America and bemoans a "recognizable trend in the opposite direction on the part of some sections of American labor." He adds that he doesn't mean the "attempts of the Communists to make the CIO their own political apparatus." That, of course, is an obvious falsehood from the gentleman in cloth for he well knows that it is the controlling clique of the CIO that has made political submission to the Truman Administration a condition for continued membership of unions in the CIO. He goes on:

"There is now discernible a maneuvering for power in union circles on the part of leaders who view the labor movement as the most effective vehicle for social change in accordance with principles of their political philosophy."

He warns that "some group will want to 'move in on' the pole of the 'radical left' from which the occupants are currently being forcibly ejected." Also that they objected to Communists "more because they were disciples of Stalin than because they were disciples of Marx."

The priest says the label "narrow and conservative" is already being put on the ACTU allies of the "Socialists" and adds "eyebrows are being lifted, too, at unionists who are not ashamed to admit that they base their social aims on Christian principles."

IRONICALLY, IT IS the Reuther-Dubinsky type of "socialists" who have carried the red-baiting ball for the rightwing. Now notice is being served upon them that they are next on the Vatican's list as they try to pose as the "radical left." Don't underestimate the authoritative source of this notice. It comes from the very organization that recently bragged on the Wage Earner's front page that Murray has accepted its seven-point program as the CIO's.

Dubinsky, as we had noted, is getting the same treatment in the AFL. His representative was removed from the executive board of the New York Central Trades and Labor Council because his union endorsed Newbold Morris for the Mayoralty in opposition to the AFL-endorsed William O'Dwyer.

The situation in the AFL is so serious that all of the garment union's 200 delegates left the New York Council and, on charges by Dubinsky, the AFL general executive council named a committee of three to study it.

There is no evidence of a basic difference between the ACTU and "socialist" elements. But that does not preclude the likelihood of a sharp power struggle between them.

So reactionary are some of the forces in control of American unions that they echo even the "down with socialism" cry of the NAM against the Truman Administration. Father Hubble's boy, Carey, went as far as to publicly call for an alliance with fascism against Communism.

The "socialists" of the Reuther, Rieve, Dubinsky type, who resort to a more radical-sounding demagoguery to mislead their followers, frankly admit that Carey's loose tongue embarrasses them, and (privately) they resent it.

Letters from Readers

Fight Bias in Movie Cartoon

New York

Editor, Daily Worker:

It came to the attention of members of the Czechoslovak House (347 E. 72 St.) that a community theater was showing a Tom and Jerry cartoon that portrayed the Negro maid in a thoroughly false and degrading manner. Members of the House felt immediate action should be taken and a committee was formed which sent an inter-racial delegation to the manager of the theater.

Generally the manager agreed with the committee. However, since he was only in the employ of a large chain, he could do nothing to assist us except report

our vigorous protests to the chain. Further action was taken by individual letters; also it was urged that members of the community boycott the theater for the duration of the cartoon's showing.

The effect of this positive action can be measured when several days later the manager came to the House requesting that we advertise the showing of their current feature (one of the better foreign films). He also invited us to send a few people in to see the short subjects along with the film to be sure there would be no repetition of our past distasteful experience. This procedure is to be followed for each change in program.

CZECHOSLOVAK
HOUSE COMMITTEE.

Press Roundup

THE HERALD TRIBUNE flutters its innocent eyes and exclaims: "We really know next to nothing about the Yogeler case, about exactly what he did or did not confess to or how or why he did so." But with the next breath it appears the Trib does know. Because it complains that "it is the perverted Soviet system" which calls "ordinary business dealings 'espionage'."

THE MIRROR'S Walter Winchell boasts that he was "the very first to warn of war with Russia." That's like saying Hitler was the first to "warn" of Nazism.

THE NEWS begs the State Department to break off relations with more "Red" nations now that it has severed them with Bulgaria. Sure, that's the stuff. Let the U. S. wind up dealing only with the fascists. That'll show the world what "Western democracy" means.

THE COMPASS' Jennings Perry says that Churchill was wise enough to see from the surge of public interest stated by his another-talk-with-Russia idea that he had struck the key in tune with the hopes of mankind and hence has returned to the idea. It has become the top offering of the Britain election campaign, Perry says, and maybe if Churchill had hit upon it

earlier, his Party might have won on it. The idea is still a good one, Perry declares.

THE TIMES runs a column-liberties are exactly those threat-length editorial plea for more Marshall Plan funds and uses the phrase "free world" umpteen times to describe all of the universe not under "complete subservience to the Kremlin." Can't you just see the exploited miners of Chile; the Jimcrowed people of South Africa and the starving peasants of India frantically waving their newspapers, yelling ecstatically: "Free! The New York Times says we're free!"

THE POST'S Max Lerner reminds us: "If the Churchill tactic is an election stunt, he copies it from none other than Harry Truman. What gave Truman the international vote and much of the Wallace vote in 1948 was the dramatic proposal for the Vinson to Stalin. Nothing ever came of it... except Truman's election." What a commentary on capitalism's contemptible "statesmen," who play with people's lives and peace.

THE JOURNAL-AMERICAN pays 'tribute' to George Washington, manages to drag in a knock for the Soviet Union, but omits completely the fact that Washington led—horrors—REVOLUTION.—R. F.

COMING: Miners Show T-H Must Go . . . by Bernard Burton . . . in The Worker this weekend

President—Benjamin J. Davis, Jr.; Secretary-Treas.—Howard C. Boldt
John Gates ————— Editor
Milton Howard ————— Associate Editor
Alan Max ————— Managing Editor
Rob F. Hall ————— Washington Editor
Joseph Roberts ————— General Manager

Daily Worker, New York, Thursday, February 23, 1950

The Artificial Alarm Tactic

THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S brusque breaking off of diplomatic relations with the people's democracy of Bulgaria was carefully timed to distract public opinion here from the unshakable revelations in the Hungarian trial of the Wall Street businessman-spy, Robert A. Vogeler.

It has become very important for the cold war leaders to find sensational diversions and what John Foster Dulles called "artificial alarms" for the public. We may confidently expect more such scares, riproaring incidents, and general hoopla within the next few months. As a leading national business magazine informed its readers last week, the government is mortally afraid that any lessening of international tension would interfere with the 20 billion dollars a year pork barrel for the munitions, steel and oil trusts cynically labeled "national defense."

The manufacture of raw incidents deepening the gulf between the Western powers and the Socialist states is absolutely necessary to force the American public to accept the criminal hoax of the "inevitable war."



ACHESON

The billion-dollar corporations holding the fat war contracts live in terror of "peace breaking out." Their terror is the State Department's terror. That is why a Senator Lodge (R-Mass) can insult the intelligence of the people of the U. S. A. by arguing that any American-Soviet peace negotiation would only bring war that much closer. That is why President Truman and Secretary of State Acheson can calmly fling into the faces of the peoples of the world—including our own people—the claim that the 1946 Baruch Plan calling for an exclusive—and non-existent—American monopoly in atomic weapons must remain the bedrock of our foreign policy.

WHEN the young Bulgarian Peoples Republic charges—and backs its charges with proof—that the Western Powers are infiltrating its industrial and political agencies with saboteurs and spies, the State Department hits the ceiling and cries aloud about the "insult" to the United States. It would seem that the State Department and the Wall Street corporations are incapable of espionage, spying, and efforts to harm the new states marching toward Socialism.

Congress appropriates huge funds for "Project X" spy rings; but we are told now that this money is never spent. Wall Street corporations with international connections—like Standard Oil—carried on secret deals with the German Nazis to the serious detriment of American security back in the 1935-39 days. But it seems that the same world-wide economic cartels controlled in Wall Street are now too innocent and too tender-hearted to try to sabotage Socialist industry in Romania, Poland, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia or China.

THE VOGELER CASE SHOWED that the old Labor Spy tricks of the corporations have become world-wide techniques against democracy and the new social systems in eastern Europe. Every day some newspaper clamors for "more Tittos" in China and in Eastern Europe. What is this if not a demand for hired spies, hired saboteurs and wreckers? Yet, when Bulgaria catches these agents in the act, the State Department can find no other refuge than put on the act of the insulted and injured party, smashing diplomatic relations.

But smashing diplomatic relations with one of the smaller Socialist states will not tell the American people why Washington presses relentlessly towards an atomic war, why it refuses to outlaw the H-bomb and atomic warfare, and why we are reviving German Nazism with American dollars. Brandishing the fist in the face of the Socialist peoples of the world will not help the American people to protect themselves against the rising tides of unemployment, insecurity, and undernourishment. On the contrary, the more the State Department shakes the sword to drown out the cry for peace and East-West cooperation, the louder will the cry grow.



The Fate of All Labor Is Tied to Miners' Struggle

By John Williamson National Labor Secretary, Communist Party

The recent events around the miners' struggle make clear a number of new factors. First, there is a sweeping injunction which undertakes to dictate a drastic change in the activity of a trade union. It does this by outlawing such demands as the union

shop, adequate employer-paid pensions and health programs, the "able and willing to work" clause and memorial periods for the hundreds of miners killed annually by the coal operators' lust for profit. In the light of the decision of the Supreme Court outlawing the hiring hall, we must see that the offensive of the employers and government against the unions and the condition of the workers is being stepped up.

Further, the very existence and increasing use of the Taft-Hartley Act is a repudiation of the Wagner Act and the Norris La Guardia Anti-Injunction Act, won after years of struggle by labor. Never before was there such government interference in the affairs of the trade unions. The intention is to make labor carry the burdens of the growing economic crisis and of Wall Street's war plans.

While the miners are demonstrating a united fighting spirit and while there is awakening support from growing sections of the workers of all industries, nevertheless the key weakness is that the entire labor movement, including its Left and Progressive sector, does not yet demonstrate an understanding that its fate is bound up with the outcome of the present coal miners struggle.

WHY NOW

The coal miners were attacked now because the trusts and the government felt more at ease as a result of the splitting and expulsion policy carried through by Philip Murray, Walter Reuther and James Carey in the CIO against progressive-led internationals.

They attacked the miners and their union, not because they had a left leadership, but because the miners continue today, as they have in recent years, to make substantial wage, hour, pension and health demands that cut into the operators' profits. Further, the miners have fought the Taft-Hartley law vigorously, striking in many mines against its passage in Congress and preferring to leave the AFL rather than follow the servile policy of the Greens, Wolls and Dubinskys.

True, Lewis did not follow up this step with efforts to unite all the other opponents of the T-H Act, and the London Conference which organized the labor adjunct to the Marshall Plan, found a representative of the UMWA in at-

tendance and Lewis upon its executive. Nevertheless, these fighting qualities make the miners and their union a next chief target of attack.

Wall Street and their tools in the Democratic and Republican parties feel the miners must not be left as a potential ally of other rank and file unionists and unions fighting against the surrender policy of Murray, Reuther and Green.

A defeat of the miners would mean a disastrous blow to the entire labor movement. A victory for the miners will encourage unity of labor and develop the counter-offensive against the plans of the monopolists.

VICTORY POSSIBLE

There are favorable conditions for victory, though the fight will be a hard one.

Already many local injunctions and restraining orders have been issued in West Virginia and Ohio. But the miners are fighting back. They refuse to mine coal in the face of the injunctions. They decide to support their time-honored slogan of No Contract-No Work and also undertake to close down the few remaining non-union mines.

It is a hard battle because the miners have been working only three days a week for a long time and hunger is already a reality. They have been forced on strike many times in the postwar period and consequently have no savings to fall back on. Nevertheless, their demands, their union and its achievements—especially the hard-won "able and willing to work" clause—are dear to them and they are determined not to give up this in any new contract.

NEED SUPPORT

The miners' struggle provides an opportunity for the widest fighting unity of all trade unionists whether in CIO, AFL or independent unions. Already there has been a spontaneous response of many local union and shop workers. This movement can be broadened and united. Such unity will do much to counteract the treacherous splitting activities of the Murrys and Greens.

This activity in the ranks has compelled Murray to adopt resolutions and donate funds—something Green has not yet been forced to do—nevertheless it is limited and

a mere "tipping of the hat" to pressure from below.

The same Murray-dominated CIO executive that voted "full support" to the miners, turned around and in the same session voted full support to Truman's foreign policy of war preparation, continued the policy of splitting and expulsion in CIO and refused to denounce Truman for securing an injunction against the miners. This was a canceling out of the "full support" to the miners and a white-washing of Truman.

But unity can and is being established despite the Murrys and Greens. Look at the array of resolutions in support of the miners in local after local. Look at the call for one-day solidarity stoppages from such diverse localities as the AFL Illinois Central Railroad workers in Chicago, the UE Westinghouse workers in Pittsburgh, the Packing House workers in Chicago and the Fur and Leather workers in New York City. Look at the collections of food and money and the truckloads of relief going to miners' locals.

WHAT'S NEEDED

What is necessary is for all the workers to realize the key importance of the struggle and to throw their full weight behind the miners' battle. What is particularly essential is for the militant and progressive forces in the AFL, CIO and independent unions to arouse the membership in support of the struggle.

What is important is that the progressive-led unions of the CIO mobilize their full ranks and everywhere approach other unions in behalf of this struggle. It would be the utmost shortsightedness for the progressive led unions of the CIO to fail to see that their own fight for unity will receive greater support if they take up the miners' battle. They must not allow themselves, despite difficulties caused by the fight against their expulsion, to overlook or neglect the miners' struggle.

Realizing that the fate of all labor is at stake in the outcome of the miners' struggle, labor must fight as never before. A tremendous solidarity movement can and must be quickly developed in every shop, local union, city and industry. The movement should be extended to all progressive-minded

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Pill Trust Suit Ducks Drug Price Holdup

DETROIT, Feb. 22 (FP).—The grandstand suit against Parke Davis & Co. of Detroit, leading drug manufacturers, and Eli Lilly Co. of Indianapolis, brought by the Truman Administration in Federal court here, is small potatoes, in the opinion of local druggists. The suit charges the two firms with monopolizing the hard gelatin capsule industry through licensing the machinery they control.

"Even if true," said a druggist whose name cannot be given lest manufacturers' boycotts drive him out of business, "the price of gelatin capsules is infinitesimal compared with the holdup prices of what goes into the capsules. Any druggist can buy hard gelatin capsules, such as are used for aureomycin, chloromycetin, and

vitamins, for a \$2 a thousand. "If the government really wants to get after the monopolies that fatten on human misery let it bring suit against the makers of the ingredients that are put into the gelatin capsules."

A druggist told Federated Press about the holdup prices for the reducing tablet dextroamphetamine, which could be produced by any druggist or hospital pharmacist for 65 cents per 1,000, according to the November-December Bulletin of the American Society of Hospital Pharmacists. Actually the price is \$25 per 1,000 because the owner of the patent on the basic sulphate monopolizes its sale. Equally effective is a basic chloride or phosphate in this case, but the sulphate monopolist prevents their use, it was said.

Use of substitutes to avoid monopoly holdups has been common among pharmacists. Recently the Detroit Free Press launched a sensational press campaign against substitutions. Later, it was found that the Free Press campaign was inspired by a Detroit patent medicine man.

What's On?

Tonight Manhattan

CHOPIN will be discussed by Sidney Finkelshtain at Music and Society at The Jefferson School, 575 6th Ave. 8:30 p.m. Sub. \$1.00.

SIDNEY FINKELSTEIN and Lucy Brown will discuss Bach's Cello Suite of 18th Century Music at The Jefferson School, 575 6th Ave. 8:30 p.m. Sub. \$1.00.

TODAY IS THURSDAY, you have only 2 days left to call Doc Marshall, 1645 Broadway, 2nd floor, for your reservation for the Gala "Fun in February" affair, Friday Eve. Feb. 24, at the beautiful Casino Ballroom, atop the Hotel Theresa, 125 St. and 7th Ave. Tickets \$1.00 in advance, \$1.50 at door. Tables for 4, \$2.00; tables for 6, \$3.00; tax incl. Hurry! Hurry! Hurry!

Tonight Bronx

HEAR MR. PAUL ROBINSON in a program for world friendship and Negro-Jewish unity, Laura Danes, chair. Bronx County JCC, 1100 Grand, Tonight 8:30 p.m. Hear Mr. Paul Robinson, 1100 Grand, and Sharon Ed. Sponsored by Bronx JCC and Bronx Hebrew Division. Admission 50c including tax.

Tomorrow Manhattan

HOOTENANNY: "Walk Along Together," with Brody McElroy, Sunny Terry, The Weavers, Betty Cantor, Ray Davis and many others in a tribute to Negro History Week. Irving Plaza, 16th St. and Irving St., Feb. 24, 8:30 p.m. All tickets \$1.00. Advance tickets at People's Artists, 100 E. 10th St.

HOWARD FAST THURSDAY WARD, Bernard Bode, and Alvin Karpis, host the Jefferson Theater Workshop's forum, "The Negro in the American Theater," Friday, Feb. 24, 11:30 p.m. All this forum the major speaker's performance of Clifford Odets' "Awake and Sing!"... admission \$1.00 tax included. Total proceeds of this performance to Jefferson School Student Fund. Tickets available at Jefferson School and Book Fair, 125 West 4th St. Certain 8:30 p.m. at the Jefferson School Theater, 16th St. and 8th Ave. "Awake and Sing" being performed on Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 25th and 26th.

MEET THE MAKERS of the film, after you see it "White Land," world-famous documentary, with narration by Paul Robeson and music by Marc Blitzstein, prize-winner at Comstock-Festival Film Festival, also Leo Hurwitz, co-director with Paul Strand to talk informally about the film. Dancing, Friday, Feb. 24 at 8:30. Sub. \$1.00 (for members) Czecho-slovak Workers House, 347 E. 73 St.

12 LESSONS \$10—Ballroom dancing, fox-trot, rumba, samba, etc. Every Friday eve. 2 classes, 6:35 and 7:30 p.m. People's Drama Studio, 17 W. 24 St. AL 5-3844.

FRIDAY NIGHT—Columbia Colonial Youth Day, Negro History Week with 18th C. LFLA Poets Read Poems, Daily Freedom Theater, Ted Neal, other speakers, cultural presentations, dancing. Contribution 25c, Friday, 8 p.m. Club Opera House, 10th and Madison.

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Jersey Official

(Continued from Page 2) ple, and leading to such outspoken utterances as those of Sen. MacMahon, Sen. Tydings and Winston Churchill, may well be God's way of stimulating us to face our mutual need of a true world community."

Dr. Miller is a teacher of public law and international relations, consultant in industrial matters to the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and last year was sent by the Rockefeller Foundation to Western Germany as a consultant to the State Department in the setting-up of university curricula.

PMA's 10,000 Strike in Illinois

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 21 (UP).—John Marchiondi, president of the Progressive Mine Workers, tonight announced that his union's 10,000 members have gone on strike in Illinois. The strike will cut the state's coal production almost to zero.

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'Worker' Staff To Cover Parley

A team of Daily Worker correspondents, headed by Washington editor Rob F. Hall, will give readers of the Daily Worker a thorough survey of the Progressive Party's second national convention. Besides Hall, Chicago correspondent Ruby Cooper and special correspondent Simon W. Carson will send dispatches on the important gathering.

Wallace

(Continued from Page 2) president of the National Bar Association; Mrs. Senora Lawson of Virginia, and Mrs. Elmer Gimbel of New York.

Principal business of the Saturday sessions will be the adoption of the party platform for the 1950 congressional campaign. Baldwin will deliver his report as national secretary then and action campaigns around the major political issues will be mapped by the delegates.

The Rev. Archibald Carey, Republican alderman from Chicago, Percy Green, Democrat and editor of the Jackson, Miss. Advocate will address the delegates Saturday on the civil rights issue.

Sessions on Sunday will be devoted to the 1950 Congressional campaign, based on a report of the party's congressional campaign committee, headed by Marcantonio.

New officers will be elected Sunday afternoon.

All Labor

(Continued from Page 7) sections of the population. The initiative of the ALP in Brooklyn in sending a caravan into a mining area was greeted wholeheartedly by the miners and shows what other non-union groups and organizations can do.

Committees for support of the miners can be organized in all shops and unions, and food and funds sent as quickly as possible into the mining areas accompanied by local delegations. Conferences can be held on a city-wide scale uniting all possible unions and groups within the shops in behalf of the miners' struggle. Mass meetings can be held with miners' delegations present.

Resolutions should be adopted protesting the injunction and demanding from Truman immediate withdrawal and no penalties against the miners. Agitation should be carried on for one-day protest stoppages. At solidarity and relief conferences, delegations should be sent to Washington protesting to the President the issuance of the injunction and demanding the repeal of the Taft-Hartley law. The repeal of the Taft-Hartley law in this session of Congress should become a central feature of all action in support of the miners' struggle.

Communists have been and will continue to be second to none in all these activities, although it is already clear that millions of workers can be involved in this struggle. Communists also have the task of helping the miners and all other workers to learn the political lessons from the use of the T-H injunction by Truman, the GOP and the operators. The hypocrisy and double-dealing of the Truman Administration must be exposed and workers helped to draw lessons of independent political action in 1950. It is above all necessary to make clear that the attacks on the miners—as the attack on all unions which adopt a fighting policy—and the splitting and expulsion policy in CIO or the splitting of the WFTU—are all a part of the drive of the trusts and their agents in the government for a policy of aggressive H-Bomb warfare against the peoples of the world and consequently of reactionary fascistlike moves in our own country.

The larger the Communist Party and the greater the circulation of the Daily Worker and The Worker the easier will be the task of clarification of the miners and all other workers in these issues and the greater their consistent activities.

South

(Continued from Page 5) to the State Welfare Council, the first Negroes to be appointed to regular state administrative posts since Reconstruction days.

The same Scott however, has savagely attacked defenders of the Daniels cousins, Negro youths who face a legal lynching, and has insisted that "race relations" are "as good as in any other state in the Union".

In Alabama, Governor Folsom has appointed a Negro to his 30-man board to investigate registration of veterans in the state. There have been wholesale complaints of the refusal of registrars to register Negro vets, and the state has the lowest percentage of Negro voters outside of Mississippi.

LIBERAL GESTURES

Both these Governors, as well as several Democratic congressmen, are considered Truman Democrats, in contrast to the Dixiecrats. These Truman Democrats make gestures toward liberalism from time to time, but they run to cover on the question of Negro rights as soon as the Dixiecrats raise their heads, Burnham declared.

"The Progressive Party," Burnham said, "recognizes as its first responsibility in the South the defeat of the Dixiecrat movement. Its job is to maintain the most intimate relations with the Negro people, workers, poor farmers, who are also alarmed by the rising Dixiecrat movement."

He predicted there would rise, within the next few years, a new vigorous movement for Negro rights based upon the Negro veterans.

"The Progressive Party," he said, "is the one electoral instrument in the South for those who oppose the tory Democrats and will be maintained and strengthened in the 1950 elections. It will offer the only real choice through carefully selected candidates in key areas, for local and congressional offices."

It is also out to win the ballot for a million Negro voters in the South this year, he asserted.

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Waldman

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"There is a law to punish persons who act to overthrow the government by violence. . . . It is not enough to say Communist aims are bad. We believe the law was improperly applied in this case of the Communist leaders."

CRITICIZE MEDINA

"If a law punishing mere words may be sustained it can be sustained only if a clear and present danger exists. Judge Medina ignored that in his charge."

"We are of the opinion the rights of the Communists were violated in this respect. We are not of Mr. Waldman's opinion that the American Civil Liberties Union must join with the government in prosecution."

Prof. Emerson told the panel it was his opinion the Communist leaders were definitely denied their democratic rights in the Foley Square trial.

He assailed the sentencing of the five defense lawyers in the trial and Eugene Dennis on "contempt" charges.

The "contempt" sentences were "out of proportion" and "unreasonable," he said.

HITS WIRETAPPING

Prof. Emerson charged FBI wiretapping, as revealed in the Coplon-Gubitchev case, was a "direct violation of the Federal Communications Act."

"I say these activities of the FBI are much more likely to be found in a police state than in a democracy like we are supposed to have," Emerson stated. "As soon as you go into the field of punishing political views then you are undermining democracy."

Hays, in another panel discussion, took sharp issue with Harmon Duncombe, former legal assistant to the U. S. Army intelligence chief. Duncombe spoke in defense of FBI wiretapping. Hays said Duncombe's position would "open the door for wiretapping of all of us to see if we are loyal citizens."

In contrast to the rest of the ACLU's conference, its panel on "What rights for unpopular minorities in unions" and on whether

"legislation to assure trade union democracy" was a total success for the reactionaries. It was chaired by Prof. Herbert Northrop of the National Industrial Conference Board, a notorious employer outfit.

The panel's character was best expressed by Walter Gordon Merritt, who, since winning the famed Danbury anti-labor decision in 1908 has been America's No. 1 anti-union attorney. Following most of the panel speakers, he said.

"I have very little to disagree with what was said."

Preceding him were Victor Riesel, the Peglerite columnist, Irving Abramson, national CIO representative; Will Herberg, research director of the AFL Ladies Garment union's Dress Joint Board and Carl Rachlin, council of the socialist-run Workers Defense League.

Virtually all agreed that Communists should not be accorded the rights of a "minority" in a union and on that ground concluded that there really aren't any difficulties with "unpopular" minorities.

Under a period of 15 minutes of "discussion" a woman representing the "Catholic Worker," challenged the contention that the rights of any minorities could be secure if Communists or others are singled out for denial of such rights.

The ACLU celebration concluded with a banquet honoring retiring ACLU director Roger N. Baldwin. Sen. Herbert L. Lehman took the occasion to hail the Marshall Plan and Truman's other cold-war activities, while at the same time calling for an international human rights program.

Phone Union Delays Strike

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The Communications Workers of America (CWA) agreed today to President Truman's request that they extend their strike deadline for 60 days beyond next Friday—the date now set for a nationwide telephone tieup.

Navy Gags Crommelin

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22.—Capt. John G. Crommelin was barred today from further public criticism of the Department of Defense by order of Admiral Forrest Sherman, Chief of Naval Operations.

Crommelin said he naturally would abide by any order barring him from making specific speeches he has on file. He said the interpretation of Sherman's order was "too wide" at present.

Help the miners. Bring food and clothing for them to the Daily Worker, 50 E. 13 St., or the nearest Communist Party headquarters.

My heartfelt sympathy to ANNE and RUTH on the untimely loss of their beloved husband, father and comrade

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U.S. NEWSMAN ON A CHIANG DEATH PLANE

The death of 500 civilians in Shanghai in one Kuomintang raid, using U. S.-made bombers is not efficient enough by U. S. Airforce standards. So writes Robert C. Miller, United Press correspondent, who yesterday, in a dispatch from Hainan described his experience when he accompanied a B-25 that took off from Hainan to throw

bombs on Chinese civilians of the mainland.

"There might not be," Miller writes, "as much death and destruction as the efficient U. S. Airforce could inflict on a similar plane, but all crew members aboard seem to think we are doing okay."

Other excerpts from Miller's report follows:

"Our bombardier-nose gunner is

Wu Pi-chi. He smiles encouragement because to him the mission is a big success."

"But it is no comic opera war out here. It's countryman against countryman, brother against brother. . . ."

"Wu Pi-chi swings the gun to the right and left, peering down the sights, looking for new victims."

"We are carrying some bombs in the rusty belly of old 939 and our pilot decides to go for a cluster of junks hauled up on the beach near a jetty."

"Old 939 banks right and gets ready to make her bomb-run."

"The countryside looks peaceful in the bright sun. There is no sign of life because everybody below is dug in wherever he can find shelter."

"Little Wu Pi-chi gives the signal—'bombs away.'"

"The old 939 jumps a bit as she loses the weight of her bombs."

"We don't stay around to see what damage was done. The pilot pours on the coal. He wants to get out of range of the ground fire as soon as possible."

"Three hours after our take-off old 939 settles her rusty carcass down on the Japanese-built airport at Hoikow."

Soviet General Dies

MOSCOW, Feb. 22 (UP).—The death of Lieut. Gen. Ivan Fedorovich Fedtunkin, who rose from a Red Army private to become one of Russia's most brilliant field commanders, was announced officially today.

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Moscow

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and the election maneuvers of Winston Churchill are surely vivid proof of this failure."

Fedorov said Britain has ceased to be an independent state. She has been forbidden by the U. S. to trade with eastern Europe. Fedorov said, "although such trade is to Britain's advantage."

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MORNING

9:00-WOR-Harry Hennessey
WJZ-Breakfast Club
WJZ-This Is New York
WNYC-Masterwork Hour
9:15-WNBC-Newman Breaksmith
WOR-Meet the Men
9:30-WOR-Food-Aldred M. McCann
WQXR-Piano Personalities
9:45-WNBC-Wayne Kowalsky Show
WJZ-Missus Goes A-Shopping
WQXR-Composers' Varieties
10:00-WNBC-Welcome Travelers
WOR-Henry Gladstone
WJZ-My True Story
WJZ-Bing Crosby Show
WQXR-Morning Melodies
10:15-Martin Deane Program
WJZ-Arthur Godfrey Show
10:30-WNBC-Marrage for Two
WJZ-Betty Crocker Magazine
WNYC-Chairside Chat
10:45-WNBC-Dorothy Dix
WJZ-Victor E. Lindlahr
WNYC-Health Talk
11:00-We Love and Learn
WJZ-News
WJZ-More Romance
WQXR-News, also, weather
11:15-WNBC-Dave Carvey Show
WOR-Rudy Valley Show
11:30-WJZ-Jack Heron
WJZ-Quiz Program
WJZ-Grand Slam
WQXR-Violin Personalities
11:45-WNBC-David Harum
WJZ-Nostalgia

AFTERNOON

12:30-WJZ-News Soundup
WJZ-Kate Smith Speaks
WJZ-Ladies Be Seated
WJZ-Wendy Warren-Sketch
WQXR-News, Lunchtime Concert
12:45-WNBC-Aunt Jenny's Stories
WOR-Rod Henderson
WJZ-Norman Brokenshire
12:55-WJZ-News
1:00-WJZ-News
WJZ-Helen Treat
WJZ-News, Hero Sheldon
12:45-WOR-Lunchtime at Sardi's
WJZ-Our Gal Sunday
1:00-WNBC-Mary Margaret McBride
WJZ-News
WNYC-Chamber Music
WJZ-Big Sister
WQXR-News, Midday Symphony
1:15-WJZ-Nancy Craig
WJZ-Ma Perkins
1:30-WNBC-Young Dr. Malone
WOR-Hollywood Theatre
1:45-WJZ-The Guiding Light
2:00-WNBC-Double or Nothing
WJZ-Welcome to Hollywood
WOR-Ladies Fair
WJZ-Second Mrs. Burton
WQXR-Record Review
2:15-WNBC-Perry Mason
2:30-WNBC-Today's Children
WJZ-Queen for a Day
WJZ-Hannibal Cobb
WJZ-Nora Drake
WQXR-Curtain at 2:30
2:45-WNBC-Light of the World
WJZ-The Brighter Day
3:00-WNBC-Life Can Be Beautiful
WJZ-Bride and Groom
WOR-Second Honey Moon
WJZ-Nora Drake
WQXR-News, Symphonic Matinee
3:15-WNBC-Road of Life
WJZ-Hilltop House
3:30-WNBC-Pepper Young
WOR-Answer Man
WJZ-House Party
WJZ-Rick a Dale: Buddy Rogers
3:45-WNBC-Right to Happiness
4:00-WNBC-Backstage Wife
WOR-Barbara Weiss
WJZ-Garry Moore Show
WNYC-Dick Dale
WQXR-Record Album
4:15-WNBC-Shella Dallas
4:30-WJZ-Melody Promenade
WOR-Dean Cameron Show
WJZ-Lorena Jones
4:45-WNBC-Young Wilder Brown
WJZ-Pat Barnes
5:00-WJZ-Green Hornet
WJZ-When A Girl Marries
WJZ-Galen Drake
WJZ-Straight Arrow-Sketch
WNYC-Sunset Serenade
WQXR-News, Today in Music
5:15-WNBC-Portia Faces Life
5:30-WOR-B-Bar B-Riders
WJZ-Jack Armstrong
WJZ-Just Plain Gill
WJZ-Ella and Missus
WQXR-Cocktail Time
5:45-WNBC-Peetie Page Parvett

EVENING

6:00-WNBC-Kenneth Banghart, News
WJZ-Joe Grant
WNYC-Quest Star
WJZ-Eric Sevareid, News
WQXR-News, Dance Theatre
6:15-WNBC-Sports
WOR-Bob Allen interview
WJZ-Alles Prescott
WNYC-Henry's to Vote
6:30-WNBC-Henry Morgan
WOR-New Reports
WJZ-Curt Meyer

RADIO HIGHLIGHTS

PM
9:00-Screen Guild Theatre.
WNBC.
9:30-Duffy's Tavern. WNBC.
10:00-Author Meets the Critics.
WJZ.
11:15-British Election Returns.
WJZ.
TV
8:55-Basketball (Seton Hall-
Hawaii). WATV.
9:00-Morey Amsterdam show.
WABD.
9:30-Author Meets the Critics.
WJZ.

WNYC-Veteran's News
WQXR-Dinner Concert
4:45-WNBC-Three Star Extra
WJZ-Johnny Thompson Show
WJZ-Lovell Thomas
WNYC-Weather, City News
WOR-Stan Levan
7:00-WNBC-Frank Sinatra
WOR-Fulton Lewis, Jr., Comment
WJZ-Edwin C. Hill, News
WNYC-Masterwork Hour
WQXR-Scotch Show
WQXR-Keyboard Artists
7:05-WJZ-Headline Edition
7:15-WNBC-News of the World
WJZ-Jack Smith, Variety
WOR-Answer Man
WJZ-Miner Davis, News
7:30-WNBC-Serenade to
America
WJZ-David Harding, Sketch
WJZ-Club 15-Variety
WOR-Gabriel Sauter
WQXR-Classical Concert
7:45-WOR-Ted Steele Show
WJZ-Edward Murrow
8:00-WNBC-The Aldrich Family
WOR-Cisco Kid
WJZ-Elmo-Comey
WJZ-Your FBI
WQXR-Symphony Hall
8:30-WNBC-Father Knows Best
WJZ-A Date with Judy
WOR-Sports for All
WJZ-Mr. Kees
WNYC-Cooper Ball Series
8:45-WOR-News, Bill Henry
9:00-WOR-Limerick Show
WJZ-Suspense, Play
WJZ-Amateur Hour
WNBC-Screen Guild Theatre
WQXR-Concert Hall
9:30-WNBC-Duffy's Tavern
WJZ-Crime Photographer
WQXR-Record Rarities
WOR-Forum: Penions
10:00-WNBC-Supper Club
WJZ-Author Meets Critics
WOR-Frank Edwards
WJZ-Playhouse
WQXR-News: The Showcase
10:15-WOR-I Love a Mystery
10:30-WNBC-Curtain Time, Play
WOR-The Symphonette
WJZ-On Trial
WJZ-Lum 'n' Abner
WQXR-The Music Box

Forum on Negro
In U. S. Theatre
Friday Midnight

The Jefferson Workshop Theatre announces a special performance of *Awake and Sing* for the benefit of the Jefferson School Student Fund this Friday night, Feb. 24. In celebration of Negro History Week the theatre group will hold a forum on *The Negro in the American Theatre* immediately after the performance at 11:30 p.m. to which the public is invited.

Theodore Ward, noted Negro playwright, Alice Childress, Negro actress and Howard Fast, novelist, will be the speakers with Bernard Rubin acting as moderator.

The striking miners need food. You can help by making a contribution through the *Daily Worker*, 50 E. 13 St., or the nearest Communist Party headquarters.

MOVIE GUIDE

•• Excellent •• Good

- THE BUTLER TOWN. Another 2.5 film by Vittorio De Sica, the maker of *Shoe Shine*. Manhattan-World Theatre.
- IVAN PAYLOV. An interesting science film on the life of the Soviet scientist. Manhattan-Apollo, Brooklyn-Astor, Vogue, Bronx-Lido.
- FAME IS THE SPUR. The remarkable film about a British Labor Party renegade. Manhattan-Stanley.
- THE AFFAIR BLUM. A fine German film whose story of the framework of a Jew makes for a cool, brilliant analysis of the sources of Nazism. Manhattan-Cramery.
- THE TITAN. Worth seeing for its shots of Michael Angelo's sculpture. Manhattan-Little Carnegie.
- TIGHT LITTLE ISLAND. What happens to an island of the Hebrides when its supply of Scotch runs out. Manhattan-Trans-Lux 90th St.
- RED GREENS. Disturbed by a fine ballet sequence. Manhattan-Hijus.
- QUARTET. Polished and witty stories of Somerset Maugham. Manhattan-Art.
- ALL THE KING'S MEN. Superb and shatter as a study of Huey Long, but an excellent film to watch. Brooklyn-Fox.
- SYMPHONY OF LIFE. The Soviet film about a musician, on the same bill with *The Idiot*. Manhattan-Irving Place.
- THE FREDMAN AND LADY. A light Italian comedy with a fine actress, insinuating performance by Aldo Fabrizi, on the same bill with *O Sole Mio* with Tito Gobbi. Manhattan-City.
- MUSEUM OF MODERN ART FILM LIBRARY. The movies of four French painters-Matis, Kees, Durrant, Oehl.

Skip

THE RED DANIEL. Greasy slander about the Soviet Union's policy in Austria.

Around the Dial:

Conference Called in Campaign For Negro Radio Commentator

By Bob Lauter

AS THE NEXT STEP in its campaign to place a Negro commentator on one of the networks, the Voice of Freedom Committee called a conference of representatives of organizations, churches and unions, last Tuesday evening, Feb. 21, 8:30 p.m. at the Metropolitan Music School, 118 West 74 St., Studio 23.

It was planned to use this conference to set up a joint committee of organizations to carry on the campaign for a Negro commentator on one of the networks.

Referring to the recent broadcasts in which Fulton Lewis, Jr., called V. O. F. "Assassination Anonymous," Miss Stella Holt, executive secretary of the organization, released a statement which declared, "Fulton Lewis' recent ten-day attack on V. O. F. is proof positive that the networks consider the organization, with its three thousand monitors, a force to be reckoned with. It is against just such projects as our campaign to get a Negro commentator on a network as a public service feature, our campaign to get Negro stereotypes off the air, and our work against political blacklists in radio, that Fulton Lewis' blasts are directed; but we find that, as a result of these blasts, many more people have been attracted to our work."

CHARLES COLLINS, vice chairman of the Voice of Freedom Committee, addressed the February 2 conference. Stanley Faulkner, general counsel for V. O. F., served as chairman.

WHERE THERE'S a will there's a way! WOR has finally combined two of the worst features of radio into one program. On Feb. 23 (10:15 p.m.) a new

show, *Calling All Detectives* made its debut. This show has combined the murder-mystery story with the telephone quiz.

IN A RECENT broadcast Gilbert Seldes (The Lively Arts, WNEW), threw a small brickbat at Columbia University for its projected new arts center. The plans for the arts center give no recog-

nition to radio, television and motion pictures. Said Seldes: "There is something too respectable about an art center, in 1950, which doesn't recognize the great media by which most people get to know music and drama and may get to know painting, too. Too respectable and too remote from the way we live, too academic, a little snobbish and a little dead. . . ."

Music

Hootenanny for Negro History Week

People's Artists, progressive cultural organization, announces that Brownie McChes, outstanding Negro guitarist joins Sonny Terry, blind Negro Harmonica star, in its *Walk Along Together Hootenanny* this Friday evening, 8:30 p.m. in Irving Plaza, 15th and Irving Pl. The Hootenanny is held in commemoration of Negro History Week.

Other Negro and white people's artists joining with them in this tribute are The Weavers (Pete Seeger, Lee Hays, Ronnie Gilbert, Fred Hellerman) Betty Ancona, Bill Robinson, Bill Marshall, Betty Sanders, Rev. Davis, Manzie Johnson Trio, Joe Howard and Reggie Lewis.

Reserved seats may be obtained in advance at People's Artists, 106 E. 14 St., Workers Bookshop, 50 E. 13 St., Jeff School, 16 and 6th Ave., Music Room, 129 W. 44 St. All tickets, at door and in advance are \$1.

The premiere performance of *Symphony for Strings and Piano* by the American composer, Constant Vaclain, which was written especially for the New Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia and dedicated to this ensemble, will feature the New Chamber Orches-

tra's fourth concert of the 1949-50 season under the baton of Ifor Jones at the Academy of Music in Philadelphia on Sunday afternoon, February 26 at 3:30 p. m. Martha Massena, a member of the faculty of the New School of Music, which sponsors the New Chamber Orchestra, and a member of the faculty of the Curtis Institute of Music for 13 years, will be the piano soloist in the Vaclain work. Edna Phillips, first harpist of the Philadelphia Orchestra from 1930 through 1945 and a noted solo virtuosa of her instrument, will appear with the New Chamber Orchestra in the performance of the Introduction and Allegro for Harp, Flute, Clarinet and Strings by Ravel. The Vivaldi Concerto Grosso in D Minor will complete the program.

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The Civil Rights Congress (N. Y. County) has taken over the entire house at the Hudson Guild, 498 W. 27 St. (26th St. entrance) this Sunday night Feb. 26 for a benefit performance of Sean O'Casey's *Plough and the Stars*. Tickets at \$2.60-3.50 can be obtained at the CRC office, 23 W. 26 St., ORegon 9-1657.

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THE GOLDEN AGE OF MIRACLES

"EDNA," said Arch Farch, as he read a dispatch written by Dana Adams Schmidt in the New York Times, "a great miracle has taken place in the city of Cihost, Czechoslovakia."

"An anti-Communist miracle?" asked Edna.

"Certainly," Arch agreed.

"Well," said Edna, trying to find the eighth sock in the laundry bag, "they must be getting desperate if they're down to miracles."

"Don't be a wise-guy," warned Arch. "This miracle is the McCoy!"

"What happened?"

"While the preacher was preaching, the cross on the tabernacle bowed three times, first to the right, then to the left, and then it leaned to the west."

"In the direction of the Truman Administration?" asked Edna. Arch nodded.

"Hmmm," Edna located the eighth in the pants of Arch's pyjamas. "Was it leaning toward Rankin or Tom Clark?"

"Doesn't say," replied Arch, consulting the paper. "But don't take this lightly," he insisted. "This isn't the only miracle. Another one happened in Western Bohemia. Somebody had a vision."

"I had a vision last night," said Edna. "I saw the kitchen table lean toward the northeast."

"Stop nagging," complained Arch. "I promised you I'd fix the table leg, didn't I?"

"What about this Bohemian vision?"

"Somebody saw the Virgin Mary, waving an American flag and leading a few companies of tanks and troops."

"It that what it says in the Times?" asked Edna.

"Absolutely!" Arch held out the proof.

"Then it must be so. Was the Virgin armed?"

"Not in this version of the vision. There's more than one version."

"There are always as many versions as there are visions," declared Edna. "That's an ecclesiastical law."

"Well, in another version, she carried a sword."

Edna shook her head as she tossed away one hopelessly holy pair of socks. "These are purely second class miracles," she said. "Very old-fashioned. I'm waiting for one in which an angel carries an H-Bomb, inscribed In Hoc Signe Vinces."

Arch consulted the Times. "No one's had that vision yet," he said.

"Be patient," said Edna. "It'll come. By the way, I had another vision last night. I saw Prof. Urey bow three times. Once toward General Electric, once toward General Motors and once toward duPont. He hasn't straightened up yet."

"Really?" asked Arch, rather surprised.

"And there are more visions on the way," continued Edna.

"I'm waiting for the next great vision in the Times. We'll get it, all right, in the old Christian spirit. It's going to happen some place in eastern Europe, probably Romania. In a little town, located close to some foreign correspondent, the Times will report a vision of Christ. And guess what he'll be doing?"

"What?" asked Arch, breathlessly.

"Why, he'll be beating plowshares into swords!"

Books:

James Aldridge's Exciting Novel Exposes Warmakers

By Robert Friedman

THERE IS NOTHING as dead as yesterday's newspaper. Or so they say. Certainly, in these days of cold war scares—spy scares, So-

THE DIPLOMAT by James Aldridge. Little, Brown, Boston. 631 pp. \$3.75.

viet military 'move' scares, and the like—one might be inclined to agree that there is nothing as dead as yesterday's fake headline. Yet the talented young Australian James Aldridge (author of *Of Many Men*) has written not only an important but an exciting novel based on an incident which flared briefly into the headlines some four years ago and then descended to oblivion.

About four years ago, one of the first fruits of the Anglo-American cold war against the Soviet Union was a hysterical propaganda campaign accusing the Russians of swallowing a province of oil-rich Iran under cover of a democratic liberation movement. United Nations sanctions were brought to bear against Russia, and for a time

the manufactured hysteria in this country was so rampant that war, to the people, seemed very close.

IT IS THIS Iranian incident which Aldridge has brought vividly to life again in *The Diplomat*, a truly illuminating novel on the present global conflict. In it he has imagined a British diplomatic mission to Moscow, headed by Lord Essex, who is assisted by an Iranian-bred geologist, Ivre MacGregor. It is Essex's job to bully the Russians into an agreement based on their admission that they have engineered the revolt in Azerbaijan. But the Russians are not bullied, nor are they tricked.

Instead, they invite the British diplomat to see things for himself in Iran. Once in that country, where he finds no Soviet agents, Essex intrigues against the democratic forces there. MacGregor, in turn, an a-political scientist who loves Iran as his home, and who knows that the allegations of Soviet interference are a myth, wages a long and turbulent war within himself as to his own individual responsibility. Finally, the young scientist challenges the powers that be by sending to the press a refutation of the distorted report on Iran presented at the mission's end by Essex.

ALDRIDGE has given masterly portraits of the two men, one loyal to empire alone, no matter at what cost to the world; the other, who learns painfully that dedication to science is not enough if it does not also include responsibility to bring a better life for the people.

The Diplomat is a political novel,

definitely so. It is a novel with much conversation, and often on complex international subjects. Yet seldom has a novel of such character so thoroughly explored and so clearly explained its subject. If the reader has hastily catalogued *The Diplomat* with such journalistic fiction as the Lanny Budd series by Upton Sinclair, let him hastily abandon the connection. Even before Sinclair had lined up with the cold warriors, his series was superficial froth, with his Farnk Merriwell settling problems all over the world.

The Diplomat is none of that. It is serious, it is comprehensive. And when the reader is through, he has a better picture than ever of two things. One, how the imperialists manufacture their cold war issues; and two, how, in that very process of intrigue and deception they create for the side of progress new adherents, new fighters.

IT IS NOT an easy task to fashion exciting fiction out of the stuff of international diplomacy. Some readers may balk during the first 50-odd pages of *The Diplomat*, wherein the Iranian issue is introduced. But any who gives up at that point will be missing one of the most engrossing novels in a long, long time. About the only bow Aldridge has made to the conventional novel is a somewhat theatrical triangle, composed of Essex, MacGregor and the beautiful Lady Kathy Clive.

The Diplomat concludes with MacGregor returning to Iran to assist the democratic forces there. That Aldridge has written more

nicest moments in *Cinderella*. When the story is concerned with Cinderella and her stepmother it isn't so successful—with grown-ups, that is. The fairy godmother is, perhaps, the only interesting human character: she turns out to be a stout motherly person who misplaces her wand and must think hard to remember the magic formulas.

If Cinderella and her prince are vacuous, however, all the animals are characterful enough to make many delightful moments of the picture. Certainly, children ought to like it. Adults, of course, will have a difficult time when it comes to Cinderella's song about wishing making things come true.

Louis Jovet Stars In Murder Mystery At 55 St. Playhouse

THERE IS something so thoroughly accomplished about Louis Jovet, whether his acting or the force of his quiet personality, that makes anything he does easy to watch. No matter how banal or inane the story is, Jovet absorbs himself of it. In a murder mystery like *Between Eleven and Midnight*, which is better than most, he can even manage a characterization.

In this latest French film at the 55th Street Playhouse he plays a police detective quietly disgusted with his job though resourceful, nevertheless. For a few days he impersonates a murdered man who apparently was his double. His blase, unperturbed manner stuns him in good stead, for there are startling developments.

He finds that the man was the head of a gang of thieves, involved in many deals and in at least two love affairs. One of the dead man's mistresses turns out to be the lovely Madeleine Robinson who is a dress designer with her own salon. This gives the story an opportunity to stage a fashion show with clothes designed by Jacques Fath which makes for some humorous touches about chi-chi dress fashions.

And Jovet, simply allowing all leads to develop, finds out that there were certainly enough shady characters who between eleven and midnight could have murdered the man he is impersonating. As it turns out, ironically, he only succeeds in clearing the worst of those he comes across. But meanwhile he and Madeleine Robinson have struck it off.

Without revealing the outcome,

than an epitaph for a dead issue is borne out by a New York Times dispatch from Iran of only the other day. That story was headlined: "Poverty Imperils Azerbaijan Again—Misrule and Crime in Wake of Neglect by Landlords Open the Way for Red Push." The story declares that "No seed is given to the miserable sharecroppers. Peasants have been fleeing the land by the tens of thousands. Yet, after detailing these and other appalling conditions, does the Times reporter acknowledge that they are responsible for the rebirth of the Democratic movement in Azerbaijan? No, he speaks of 'Soviet agitators.'"

The pattern is the same. And, instead of writing "ancient history," James Aldridge may have given us a novel as immediate as the next trumped-up charge in the UN—or, the next successful people's movement for liberation.

In any case, don't miss *The Diplomat*.

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Today's Films:

Four Mice Steal the Show in Walt Disney's 'Cinderella'

By Jose Yglesias

CINDERELLA, the new full-length Disney cartoon, is a clarion call to all sentimentalists to gather round once more and see in pretty Technicolor how the famous hero-

CINDERELLA. RKO Radio release. A Walt Disney production. Production supervision by Ben Sharpsteen. Directed by Wilfred Jackson, Hamilton Luske, Clyde Geronimi. With the talents of Ilene Wood, Eleanor Audley, Verna Felton, Claire Dubrey. At the Mayfair.

ine of fairy tales got more than her just deserts. In telling the story Disney and his many animators and scenarists have made full use of the mice who turned into horses and, as usual, been more successful with animals than with human beings.

In fact, the mice whom Cinderella befriends in the house, make a whole story of their own and their frantic efforts to help their downtrodden mistress are the source of all the humor in the movie. They live in the nooks and crannies of the house, have an underground transportation of their own and run from room to room peeking in on the cruel stepmother and her daughters. They also carry on a full time feud with the cat of the household.

FOR THE REST Cinderella is a magazine illustrator's idea of the perfect girl who gets up every morning to the chirping of birds. They whistle in her ear, peck delicately at her hair. They have succeeded in awakening her, and, once they are joined by the mice who come to report the latest news. On the day the story opens a mouse visitor, Gus-Gus, has been caught in a trap.

It is Gus-Gus' initiation into the ways of the household by the other friendly mice which makes for the

'Woman in Hiding' New Melodrama At the Criterion

MELODRAMA plots nowadays seem to be concocted with a fixed idea—the ending must take place on a set perilous and labyrinthine enough for a lot of people to chase themselves around in. Without straining I can think of a few recent ones which led to immense electric signs, oil fields, the Eiffel Tower, a trolley car barn, and yesterday in *Woman in Hiding* Ida Lupino and Howard Duff chased and were chased by Stephen McNally and Peggy Dow in a mill.

It was a mill full of intricate catwalks from which the latter villainous couple spilled to their deaths.

One can't say what kind of mill it was, for it was kept in the dark literally and the writers weren't any more illuminating in the script. However, this detail probably didn't bother the producers because they were certainly busy inventing incidents to keep the story going. It took a lot of incidents to make you wonder why an intelligent girl like Ida Lupino should have been so afraid of her husband that she just kept running away instead of going to the first person she saw in the street and telling them.

In any case she does meet Howard Duff, a real good guy, who finds himself at that mill at the end trying to foil the villainous husband and his girl friend from disposing of Ida Lupino. Suffice it to say that the mill comes in handy, for the bad girl gets pushed off a catwalk by mistake and the villain falls off in consternation. Duff and Lupino keep their wits about them, however, and live to go off to California to lead a happy life. —J. Y.

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TOUGH FOES VS. CC, LIU TONIGHT

Tourney Bids Hanging For Locals If Syracuse, Cincy Are Whipped

By Lester Rodney

Decisive wins for LIU and CCNY over Cincinnati and Syracuse on the Garden floor tonight will probably put both locals, along with St. Johns, on the first listing of tourney teams to be announced Monday for the 12-club National Invitation event. A win for City is more imperative than one for LIU. The Holmen have won 15 and lost 4. The Beemen have a record of 17-3 against tougher opposition.

Both face sturdy foemen tonight. In the opener, Cincinnati makes its Garden bow with a team that has won 15, lost 4 in big league competition. They lost two to Duquesne (which beat LIU here), both by only six points; one to De Paul (which beat St. Johns) and one to Western Kentucky, whom they beat in a return match. Included in their lineup are two seniors from Brooklyn, Jack Laub, 6-3, from Lincoln High, and Al Rubenstein, 5-10 speedster from Lane.

The visitors do not have the height it usually takes to beat LIU, however, their tallest man being 6-4 Ralph Richter, a fabulous figure in the Midwest who scored 460 last year, including 38 in a Brooklyn game against St. Francis and averaged 17 points per game.

LIU, beaten in its last two Garden games, will have to snap out of it to beat this kind of team. Herb Scherer, the 6-9 center, and Leroy Smith, shotmaker, have been the two culprits who have tailed off from the early form that made LIU the most feared team in the land.

City meets an in and out Syracuse team which boast plenty of height and speed, has beaten some good teams by big scores and blown some it shouldn't. Losing to Cornell a second time Tuesday night brings their record to 14-6 and just about eliminates them as a long tourney hope. But they may have been looking ahead to the Garden game, for which they have been pointing. Their scoring ace is Jack Kiley, a tricky 6-1 shotmaker, and he will undoubtedly find Floyd Lane on his tail. Lane was credited with the finest guarding job ever seen in Philly on St. Josephs ace Senesky Saturday night.

City will be handicapped by the loss of Herb Cohen, out with a fractured finger, and an aggravation to an old ankle fracture suf-

fered by Ronnie Nadell. Mike Wittlin is expected to return to action to take up the slack. They also will have to worry about a Brooklyn boy, Ed Rosen, former Jefferson star.

WE PICK: LIU and CCNY (or did you know we would)...

Nice Try, NYU, St. J Too Good

In rallying to beat an inspired, capable NYU team after trailing by as much as 21-7, and ten points at the half, St. Johns once again showed it is the most resourceful and flexible of the three New York teams. Zawoluk was being double teamed inside and hampered, but the situation was restored when McMahon and Calabrese, given that little bit of room outside, fired successful sets and made the NYU defense "come out." Both these set shots are also speedy fast thinkers who if pressed too hard can cut past their man and drive in to tally.

But the main point is they're not afraid to shoot when given a little room by a collapsing defense, whereas you'll often see Layne, Roth and Cohen of City, with yards of space, feint the shot and then try to work the ball in against a packed defense. All three proved they CAN set shoot as freshmen.

Battered NYU really came up for this one. Abe Becker went into the pivot post, a smart move as the taller Seeman kept Zawoluk outside away from the defensive board. Becker, who played pivot in high school, gave St. Johns fits with his ability to bull through, making shots and draw fouls. Jim Brasco, another of the three Lincoln High players who started, was scoring well and the whole team driving.

St. Johns had too much on the ball finally, especially the prolific scoring Zawoluk, who began to roll around and through Seeman when the Redman set shooters took the pressure off. It was St. Johns final Garden game. They are in the invite of course, unless

Lakers Stop Harlem Trotters After 113

The Minneapolis Lakers, who lead the Central Division of the NBA and has 13 straight, finally stopped the Harlem Globetrotters 79-60 in an exhibition before 20,000 at Chicago Tuesday night. George Mikan scored 36 points. The Trotters were weakened by the loss of Goose Tatum, suffering from the flu, and beaten underneath when center Sweetwater Clifton fouled out with the second half only two minutes old. They had won 113 in a row.

HERMANSKI, ROE SIGN UP

The Dodgers, signing them up right and left, yesterday got the signatures of Gene Hermanski, Preacher Roe and Jack Banta, three important operators, leaving dissatisfied only Rex Barney, who is fighting a big cut, and rookie Bobby Morgan, who wants more than the usual rookie minimum.

Hermanski, who hit .299, got approximately \$12,000. Roe, the angular lefthander who won many key games, was raised about 5 C's to \$15,000, and Banta, who won 10 and lost 6 and did a lot of relief work, got about \$9,000.

Also signed was Clem Labine, a rookie righthander from St. Paul who is fancied as a potential relief ace. He won 12 and lost 6 in that capacity last season.

Lebaron With 'Skins

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (UP).—Eddie Lebaron, star quarterback of the College of the Pacific, signed a one-year contract today with the Washington Redskins.

Pro Scores Tuesday

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Denver 89, Syracuse 78.
Rochester 84, Washington 75.

they want to go NCAA, a possibility.

This was one defeat that was no disgrace for NYU, and augured well for next Monday's traditional with Notre Dame. We're apt to see some more of Mr. Becker in the bucket, though he's only 6-2. After all, Bradley's Melchiorre is 5-8.

LA SALLE didnt look too overwhelming in rallying to beat Manhattan, 65-60, yet they must have been good enough, for the improved Jaspers were pretty good, with Byrnes feeding beautifully, Poppe and Igoe on the target. The Philly entry will be back for one tourney or another on their fine record. They have a senior club with some fine set shooting, and should be, is hard to keep from 6-9 Foust, while not what he scoring a few. . . . L. R.

In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo

Things That Come to Mind . . .

THIS DEPARTMENT WOULD just like to add its own feeling of personal loss at the passing of the veteran Communist leader Sam Wiseman. We met Sam for the first time in Buffalo back in '42 and, like everyone else who came in contact with this quietly heroic working class champion, learned much from him. He was one of the most genuine people we've ever known and if ever a person typified the body and soul of the Party and the working people from which he sprang, Sam Wiseman was such a man.

LIKE TO COMPLIMENT Petey Scalzo for his wise promptness in halting the West-Williams bout when he did last Friday night. West would probably have beaten a 10-count in the eighth round after Ike's perfection-timed right spilled him head over heels into a heap up against the ropes. But Scalzo showed all too rare ref wisdom by refusing to start the count and halting the bout then and there. I think you'll generally find that the younger crop of refs who've recently come out of the fighting ranks themselves show much more concern for the welfare of a fighter than do some of the older calloused hands at the trade. Petey was quite a featherweight not too long ago and the memory of punches taken during his own campaigning days is still vivid enough in mind to make him a careful and concerned middle-man. Matter of fact, I've noticed Abe Simon and Georgie Kochan doing some fine refing at the Garden, too, whenever given the call. Let's see to it that Scalzo, Simon and Kochan get more work at 49th St., Mr. Egan. Or is the Good Commissioner too busy playing politics to disturb himself over such picaresque trifles?

MEMO TO D. W. READERS: I think it's only fair to tell you this. You may be confused by the newspaper ads regarding the annual National Sportsmen's Show at Grand Central Palace. You know, of course, the premises are honored this year by the presence of rod 'n reel enthusiast Ted Williams and former heavyweight champ Jack Sharkey. Also advertised is "Rodney," the Wrestling Alligator. Let me assure you the latter does not refer to our own Lester, whose last contact with the great outdoors was a snowball fight we had coming out of the Garden the night of the Great Storm and the Riggs-Kramer pro opener two years ago. Stopped much traffic, it did.

IT'S THE CLEAR gratitude of the man that gets me. Branch Rickey, who else? After getting away with a bit of murder on the salaries of Robinson and Newcomb, the Dodger boss followed up with this \$18-and-5 pact with Carl Furillo. The Reading, Pa., athlete is only the greatest defensive outfielder in the league, and, more than any other hitter on the club, made possible the Brooklyn flag late last season when Robinson's bat cooled off somewhat. Or does Branch "forget" the daily one-man heroics Furillo unleashed at the plate down the hectic August and September stretch—particularly on those last two western swings? \$18,500. What a farce!

U. OF WISCONSIN campus blazing over the reversal of the original Gehrmann-Wiltz mile decision. I've even received a few letters from Badger State readers asking whether J. Edgar may not have tapped—I mean pulled—a few wires to keep the proud name of FBI gestapo invincibility unsullied. If I were Brother Gehrmann I'd be mighty careful. Beat Wiltz again, Don, and your loyalty is liable to be questioned by whoever it was took over the questioning after Parnell Thomas couldn't answer a few questions about public embezzlement. Oh, this is all so confusing. . . .

JACKIE ROBINSON seemed to be following the logic of his House Un-American speech plus his current movie work in Hollywood which will glorify same when on his recent radio show he conducted a painfully embarrassing interview with National League umpire Larry Goetz. Jackie asked the arbiter what big difference he observed between the Robinson of last season and the rookie of 1947? Goetz told Jackie he beefed too much with the umps last year whereas he had behaved much better his first year up. Jackie promised Goetz this season would see a "return to the Robinson of 1947." . . .

AS AN OLD sports lover I'm deeply wounded by Liz Taylor's decision to bypass Glenn Davis and Ralph Kiner for the son of a mere millionaire chain-hotel boss. This is a direct slap in the face to football and baseball fans the nation over. . . .

Don't know what to do about the hunting debate. If the letters keep a coming we may have to publish a bound volume or something. Else how's a guy gonna get around to writing his own column once in a while. Got any suggestions? Maybe we just ought to wrap it up one day in the Worker with a big spread devoted to printing excerpts from those letters that haven't seen the light of print yet. Meantime, here's a real short one from the auto-town of Flint, Mich. The writer raps last week's letter from reader Trio Russo, who maintained "only a few workers diligently follow this sport." And then our latest pro-nimrod correspondent from Flint refutes that assertion thusly: "Perhaps Trio Russo can explain why it is that the auto plants in Michigan shut down for inventory precisely during the hunting season. The north woods of Michigan are packed with men in red coats and hats and are not all pot-bellied bankers and bosses. Among the best organized of the clubs in the trade unions here are pistol and rifle clubs. Yours for happy hunting—TRIO AUTO."

What's with this Trio stuff, anyway? . . .

French Champ Wants Pep

EX-COALMINER WHO BALKED NAZIS WANTS NO PRELIMS

Raymond Famechon of France is here to wrest the world featherweight crown from Willie Pep and wants no substitutes.

At 25 he is featherweight champion of Europe, despite the fact he almost lost his head instead of his big toe in a mine accident, and was almost shot as a wartime hostage along with 40 others killed by the Nazis.

Although Famechon speaks no English his reaction through an interpreter was "Nertz!" when informed that the New York Athletic Commission might force him to display his wares in a small club before participating in a New York main event.

He said, "I've come over here on the Queen Elizabeth because I was given to understand you people wanted me to fight Pep for the featherweight title. I'll be glad

to do that. But I won't fight Pep in a non-title bout. And if the Pep title fight isn't arranged, I'll probably go back to France.

"Europe is the land of featherweights. And I am champion there. There are hardly any feathers over here. I won't insist that Pep should prove his right to meet-me, and I don't expect anyone to ask me to prove my right to meet him."

His record shows he has come through 177 amateur fights with but two draws against his list; and through 63 professional bouts with but three defeats charged against him. Although not a great puncher, he knocked out or stopped 43 of his 63 professional opponents.

He came from the rough school of the coal camp of Sous-Lebois, a suburb of the coal-mining center of Moulins in Northern France. As a kid of 15 he entered the

mines. He fell asleep alongside the track, and a car ran over his left foot and copped off the big toe. He said today, "although the fingers of my right hand were mangled while I was trying to save my left foot, I know I was lucky I hadn't squirmed around and put my head on the track—instead of my foot."

In 1942, a German policeman of state was stabbed to death in Sous-Lebois. Famechon was tipped off that he and two of five fighting brothers were to be taken next day by the Nazis as hostages. He escaped to Paris where he ate with a friend, Marcel Coletta—his manager. He slept for 15 nights on empty bottles in the shop of a bottle merchant.

He said "neither the coal mines nor the Nazis could lick me."